DAY'S WEATHER WITH FRESH NORTH-WEST WINDS.

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The Great City Goes Into Mourning for Its Hundreds of Dead.
New Year Greeted With Silence--Grief Overpowering Everybody

CHILLED AND DEADENED CITY OF CHICAGO SOLEMNLY BOWS UNDER ITS GREAT SORROW

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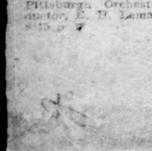
THE WEATHER



Fair.

Fair weather for today and tomorrow, and colder temperature tomorrow, is the prediction made by the Washington weather experts. The lowest temperature yesterday was 15 degrees and the highest 20. The sun rose cloudy at 7:25 and set cloudy at 4:43. The following is the weather report furnished by the local bureau:

Time.	Baro.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.22	20	70	N. W.	Cloudy
8 p. m.	30.08	27	88	S. W.	Cloudy

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 31:

	1903	1901		1902	1901
Maximum	36	44	Mean	26	36
Minimum	15	28	Precipitation	.00	.00
Max. tem. 3:45 pm.	29		Exc. since Jan 1.		23
Min. tem.	15		Nor. precip. 31 yrs.		.10
Mean temperature	22		Precip. for day		.01
Nor. tem. 31 yrs.	32		Dfcy. for day		.09
Dfcy. for day	10		Dfcy. since Dec. 1		1.41
Dfcy. since Dec. 1	282		Exc. since Jan 1.		2.05

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Fair Friday and Saturday, except snow near Lake Erie; colder Saturday in south portion; fresh west to northwest winds.

Ohio—Fair Friday and Saturday, except snow in northeast portions; colder Saturday in south portion; fresh southwest winds.

West Virginia—Fair Friday; Saturday, fair, colder.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 o'clock last night:

Cincinnati	38 Clear	Indianapolis	38 Clear
Columbus	28 Clear	Washington	28 Clear
Chicago	32 Clear	Marquette	18 Clear
St. Louis	32 Clear	Philadelphia	30 Clear
Louisville	44 Clear	St. Paul	20 Clear
Des Moines	36 Clear	Helena	30 Cloudy
Buffalo	22 Snow	New Orleans	54 Clear
New York	24 Clear	Denver	48 Pt'Cldy
Cleveland	24 Cloudy	Omaha	36 Clear

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

GRAND—N. C. Goodwin in "My Wife's Husbands," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

ALVIN—"The Silver Slipper," musical comedy, 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

NEW GRAND—The Christmas Pantomime, "Babes in the Woods," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Ned Wayburn's Minstrel Misses and vaudeville; continuous performance, 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

EMPIRE—Rebecca Warren in "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Isabel Irving in "The Crisis," 2 and 8 p. m.

ELDO—"Girls Will Be Girls," musical comedy, 2 and 8 p. m.

ACADEMY—Rice & Barton's Extravaganza Company, 2 and 8 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating afternoon and evening. Hockey tonight—Yale vs. P. A. C.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE ART GALLERIES—Eighth annual exhibition of paintings, 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Last day.

PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Pittsburg Orchestra, Victor Herbert, conductor, E. M. Lemare, city organist, soloist, 8:15 p. m.

Disaster Stricken Citizens Now Aroused to Realization of Awful Catastrophe That Has Visited Them.

A DAY FRAUGHT WITH AGONY

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Jan. 1.—At 2:30 this morning 509 persons had been identified among the dead, and there were still 50 or 55 bodies which had not been recognized.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Chicago began to see the horror of the Iroquois theater disaster in perspective today. The stress of sorrow and a full appreciation of the magnitude of destruction of human life succeeded the dazed feeling which was everywhere apparent yesterday. The total roll of death is slightly larger than the latest figures given out by the police last night. A census of the silent forms at the morgues gives 566 as the number who perished by fire and asphyxiation. It is not extravagant to say that the list will be close to 600 when final returns come in from the injured.

Unexpected difficulties have been experienced in the work of identifying the bodies. Not more than a third had been identified tonight and every hour increases the fear that scores will go to their graves unnamed.

There was a considerable shifting of bodies from morgue to morgue today at the solicitation of friends. This has complicated the work of enumerating and locating the unfortunates. For that reason absolutely no reliance is to be placed on the figures given out as official tonight. Distortion of the features of the dead by the blistering of the flames and the action of noxious gases and smoke makes many of the bodies unrecognizable. The remaining means of identification lie in the clothing and jewelry worn.

In the club and society worlds expressions of sorrow and sympathy for those bereft took the form of recalling invitations sent out for entertainments. With very few exceptions, the large organizations of the city, all of which had arranged for the watching of the old year out tonight or the welcoming of the new year by dancing and banquet, hurriedly withdrew the invitations, and instead of merrymaking at the close of the holiday season there is a general expression of sorrow.

With the awakening of Chicago today came the realization of horrors of the Iroquois theater fire. It was a day of sorrow for thousands, a day of mournful marching from morgue to morgue by friends of the missing and dead.

It was a day of joyful reunions for a few and a day of thankful visits to hospitals for many. It was a day of activity among the official circles of the city government, and in several directions, the investigation into the cause of the catastrophe was begun.

Tomorrow will be a day of memorium for the thousands whose dear ones have been taken from them. Mayor Harrison hurried back to Chicago and this morning from the mayor's office so ordained. Coroner Traeger, with his jury of six men, traveled from morgue to morgue all during the day. The bodies were viewed, and at his instance seven members of the theater were arrested by the police and will be held, pending the inquest.

The telephone service of the city was clogged all day by anxious inquiries and over the telegraph wires poured hundreds of messages of condolence. Husbands and relatives of victims from surrounding cities and states hurried into Chicago today to go on that heartrending search for the charred and crumbled mass which represented their friends or relatives of a few days before.

Throngs at the Morgue.

Thousands surrounded the ruins of the theater, where a police guard held them back. Thousands of searchers stood in line all day in the morgues, and one at a time were permitted to pass between the rows of dead forms and glance on the faces or charred remains. In every morgue a police line was maintained, holding back the other thousands of curious and morbid people who thronged to all centers of information and identification.

Descriptions of all unidentified dead are compiled and fully 10,000 persons visited the office of the chief of police department in the city hall and listened to them read and tried to recognize the marks of identification taken. All day long, the lists of dead and injured grew, until when the day's work was finished, for the city officials, it

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TWELVE MEN UNDER ARREST

Officials Commence Investigating the Chicago Fire Horror.

CORONER ISSUES CALL

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 31.—Twelve arrests were made late this afternoon in connection with the Iroquois fire horror.

Stage Manager William Carleton and the chief carpenter and 10 stage hands of "Mr. Bluebeard" were taken in custody upon orders from Chief O'Neill. With the arrests came other action aimed toward furthering the work of placing the blame for the catastrophe.

Coroner Traeger has issued a call for all survivors of the holocaust to communicate with him and be prepared to report at the inquest, which will be opened probably one week from today, when the taking of evidence will begin. Alderman John E. Scully, after an inspection of the ruins, charged that there had been no asbestos fire curtain in the ill-fated playhouse.

Alderman Hermann and other members of the city council, after a visit to the ruins, were closeted with Mayor Harrison, asserting that a meeting of aldermen to be called at once would name a sub-committee to aid in the investigation and also make inquiry as to conditions in every theater in Chicago.

Sweeping Investigation.

Coroner Traeger's action calls more than 1,000 witnesses who were in the flame-swept audience. Aside from these persons, those officials and employes of the Iroquois Theater Company will be called: William J. Davis, director; A. L. Erlanger, director; Samuel F. Nixon, director; Harry J. Powers, director; J. Fred Zimmerman, director; Marie Klaw, director; Thomas J. Noonan, business

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DEATH'S HARVEST AS GARNERED AT MORGUES

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—A carefully compiled list of the dead was given out by the police department tonight. The total, 566, includes all the bodies of victims of the Iroquois theater disaster at the following morgues:

Ralston's	179	Cevin's	32	Ryan's	10
Jordan's	139	Carroll's	21	Cleveland's	6
St. Luke's hospital	30	Perrigo's	18	Furth's	4
Horan's	24	Sheldon's	47	Postlewaite's	4
Buffum's	34	County morgue	17	Samaritan hospital	3

(From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.)

On the Sidewalk in Front of the Iroquois Theater When First Bodies Were Brought Out.

MORGUES, SORROW HAUNTED CENTER OF STRICKEN CITY

Heartrending Scenes at the Dead Houses Where Search for Lost Ones Continues Uninterruptedly.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—All day and far into the night half dazed crowds surged about the morgues in a silence broken only by the cries of policemen shouting "form in line," or the smothered sob of some woman who had just found her dead among the ghastly wrecks behind the guarded doors of the undertaking establishments.

Of the hundreds who gathered in the streets in front of Jordan's and at Ralston's, the two morgues where two-thirds of the dead were assembled, not all were searching for loved ones lost. The morbid sightseer stood about, gaping at grief, or making the most persistent struggle to get inside the rooms of death's gruesome display. So dilatory and annoying became the conduct of this class that at noon Chief of Police O'Neil sent out orders that none should be admitted into the morgue but those with permits. "Go to the city hall and get a permit," was the answer of the blue coat.

"But I read her name in the paper," said a pale woman, "and it said she was here—my poor girl—I must get her," and the agonized eyes would look with an eagerness of dreadful grief. Can you wonder that the big brawny officer guarding the door at Ralston's stood red-eyed and tearful?

Morgue's Awful Spectacle.

The lines of people, stretching from over a block in either side, waiting to be admitted in squads of half a dozen were eloquent with suffering. If the street scenes were calculated to arouse sympathy the tragedies being enacted among the bodies of the fire victims inside the outdoor spectacle cheerful by contrast.

Two large, dimly illuminated rooms in Ralston's basement and an empty store next door to the shop provided shelter for the bodies of nearly 200 almost unrecognizable human beings. Side by side on the floor the mangled remains of old and young lay rigid, some with uplifted hands still clutching pieces of garments torn in the last struggle; some with calm faces, peaceful as with prayers; many fixed with horror and black with cruel burns.

Among the most terribly charred remains former Chief of Police Badenoch found two children of his wife's sister, who with another child was lost in the fire. One richly dressed woman stood trembling in front of a pile of child forms almost destitute of clothing and awfully burned while her escort fingered charred bits of clothing in the hope of finding something familiar.

"Oh, that bit of shoe with the patent leather tip," whispered the bereaved watcher, with eagerness, "She had on a pair like that." A closer examination brought to light the body of a girl, and

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When New Year Brings No Gladness Let Sorrowing Be Undisturbed

On each recurring New Year's eve annoyance has been caused to the sick and infirm by the indulgence of thoughtless persons in noisy celebrations of the passage of the old year. The city authorities have at all times discouraged this practice, but now, when Chicago lies in the shadow of the greatest disaster in her history for a generation, noise making, whether by bells, whistles, cannon, horns or any other means is particularly objectionable.

As mayor of Chicago, I would therefore request all persons to refrain from this indulgence, and I would particularly ask all railway officials and all persons in control of factories, boats and mills to direct their employes not to blow whistles between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock tonight.

CARTER H. HARRISON, Mayor.

MANY DIED WITH THE SMILE OF COURAGE

Bravery of Some Victims Clearly Shown on the Faces of the Dead.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—John M. Harlan visited the morgue in search of the body of Mrs. Horton Fox and her three children, who were intimate friends of Mrs. Harlan. In speaking of his experience he said:

"I was impressed by the expressions on the faces of many of the dead. Perhaps it was only fancy, but it seemed to me that the faces of those having the higher order of intelligence showed less horror and more resignation. Some of those seemed to have passed away almost with a smile of faith, so serene were their countenances. But the faces of the less intelligent were uniformly struck with suffering to a terrible degree.

"When I found Mrs. Fox's little boy the smile of courage which was on his face was one of the most mobile things I ever saw. It seemed to me as if the brave little fellow was trying to reassure his mother, and facing death with a heroism not expected from one of his years."

PLATT AND ODELL JOIN HANDS FOR ROOSEVELT

Senator's Convocation of Leaders Results in Harmony Among the Empire Republicans.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—This is the net result of Senator Platt's convocation of Republican lieutenants: Senator Platt is still the titular leader of the party, Gov. Odell remains manager and the actual leader. The state will send Roosevelt delegates to Chicago.

Senator Platt concluded his week of conferences with the Republican leaders today by talking for an hour with Gov. Odell regarding some of the points in the governor's message and some appointments that are soon to be made.

"All the leaders are for Roosevelt," said Senator Platt.

"Was that what all the conferring was about?" asked one of his questioners.

"Practically, that is what it was all about," the senator replied. "I have talked with a good many leaders and they are all for Roosevelt. There was not a dissenting voice." To some of the leaders the governor said that his talk with Senator Platt was entirely harmonious and that he hoped there would be no discord in the party.

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GRUESOME LIST GREATLY CHANGED

Casualty Record of Theater Disaster Is Subject to a Number of Corrections.

CORRECT ROLL OF VICTIMS

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—As the work of identification goes on among the dead of the Iroquois theater fire, the casualty list is the subject of many changes. Some of those reported dead have been found alive, some of the missing have been located in the morgues or have turned up safe, while a number of the injured have expired.

At midnight 471 dead had been identified, the injuries of 171 persons had received attention and 337 were still reported missing. As only about 80 bodies are still unidentified, many of the men, women and children who were reported to the police as missing last night and this morning have doubtless recovered from their fright and returned to their homes. Following is the correct list of casualties:

Identified Dead.

A

ALEXANDER, MELBA, 8 years old.
ANDERSON, ANNIE.
ADAMICK, MRS. JOHN, Bartlett, Ill.
AUSTRIAN, WALTER D., Laporte, Ind.
ALDRICH, MRS. JOHN.
SON OF JOSEPH D. AUSTRIAN.
ARMON, MARGARET.
ADAMS, MRS. JOHN, Joliet, Ill.
ALPSON, ALFRED.

B

BOOGS, MRS. M.
BRENNAN, Margaret.
BARKEN, Miss ESTHER.
BURNSIDE, ESTHER.
BANNER, H., Burlington, Ia.
BATTENFIELD, MRS. D. H., Delaware, O.
BROWN, HAROLD.
BRADY, LEON.
BAGLEY, HELEN.
BARTLETT, MRS. C. D., Bartlett, Ia.
BARNHERDT, CHARLES R.
BEURTEL, WILLIAM C.
BETERSLOTH, HELEN.
BISSINGER, WALTHER B.
BIRNDSLEY, MRS. H. G.
BODICE, N. W.
BRINCKLEY, MRS. EMMA.
BEURMANN, MARGARET.
BUTLER, MRS. L. ROSEHILL.
BUTLER, ROSE.
BYMPORTH, RUTH.
BOYER, ALEXANDER.
BREWSTER, MISS JULIA.
BRENNAN, PAUL.
BOYCE, MRS. W. F.
BROWN, MISS, Evanston, Ill.
BODE, W. W.
BARRY, MISS WILMA.
BROCKFORD, GLEN.
BOETTCHER, MRS. CHARLES F.
BICKFORD, HELEN.
BLOOM, MRS. ROSE.
BOWMAN, LUCIEN.
BUTLER, MRS. S. T., Evanston, Ill.
BETSFORD, MRS. MABEL, Racine, Wis.
BLISS, HARRY T., Racine, Wis.
BIRD, MISS MARION, Ione, Ill.
BETER, —, infant.
BATTENFIELD, ROBERT, Delaware, O.
BATTENFIELD, RUTH, Delaware, O.
BATTENFIELD, JOHN, Delaware, O.
BROWN, HAZEL.
BOWMAN, MISS BEATRICE.
BENNER, JOSEPH.
BOYD, MISS LUCILLE, Hart, Mich.

C

CLARK, E. D.
CASPER, CHARLES F., Kenosha, Wis.
CORBIN, LOUISA.
COOMER, C. L.
CONTRELL, THOMAS.
COOPER, HELEN, Lena, Ill.
COULTS, C. H.
CURRAN, MAY.
COHN, MRS. JACOB.
CLAYTON, VINCENT.
CANFIELD, MRS. THOMAS A.
CALDWELL, MRS. A. C.
CHAPIN, AGNES.
COOPER, W. W.
CROCKER, MRS. MILLIE J.
COPLER, LOLA.
CUMMINGS, MISS IRENE.
CHRISTOPHER, MISS L., Decatur, Ill.
COOPER, WILLIS W., Kenosha, Wis.
COOPER, CHARLES, Kenosha, Wis.
COCHRANE, MISS FLORENCE.
CHRISTIAN, HENRIETTA.
CROCKER, MINNIE.

D

DIFFENDORF, LEANDER S., Lincoln, Ill.
DEILER, MISS N.
DODD, MRS. J. F., Lebanon, O.
DONALDSON, H., address unknown.
DONALDSON, MISS A.
DYMDORTH, RUTH.

Carrying Out The Dead.
(From the Chicago Record-Herald.)

GROCER DONNELLY WAS KILLED BY NEGRO ROBBER IN HIS STORE

JAMES DONNELLY,
The Murdered Bedford Avenue Grocer.

Bedford Avenue Man Shot Down Before His Daughter.

WORK OF BOLD TRIO

Guarded the Place and Fired When He He Could Not Reach Money.

MAN ARRESTED ON SUSPICION

James Donnelly, aged 55, a well-known resident of the hill district, was killed in cold blood last night by one of three negro robbers. The deed was done in his store, at 2219 Bedford avenue. In the presence of the murdered man's 18-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, and his father-in-law, Owen Fenton, aged [illegible]. The criminals, who are thought to be residents of the hill district, escaped after the shooting, but their capture is expected at any time. The police last night arrested one negro on suspicion. Only a few minutes passed from the time the men entered the store until they had fled, only a few words were exchanged. They did not secure anything from the safe.

Donnelly kept a grocery store and butcher shop. His two sons worked with him, Hugh F. Donnelly, a son-in-law, Mr. Boyce, and the other son, Archibald T., lives in the rear of the store, was at his evening meal when the shooting took place. Donnelly and his daughter were watched the store at that time the evening. Warman, the head man, was sitting back of a stove in the rear of the store, his back to the door. Donnelly, a [illegible] of the latter, was [illegible] the girl was in back of the main counter. Three persons entered the store [illegible] o'clock.

Robbers Guarded the Place.

One of the men stood at the door, the other walked to the centre of the store and two went to the end of the main counter. The negro standing in the door of the store asked the girl for a loaf of bread, and she started to serve him. "This is easy," the girl is by herself," said one negro.

One of the robbers then made a rush for the money drawer. The girl yelled.

"Say, this man is trying to take my money."

This aroused the old man. He turned and started for the negro. He could run standing in the centre of the store leveled his revolver at Donnelly and fired. Donnelly raised his right arm to protect himself. The bullet entering his body just under the head arm, and passing through his lung, penetrated his heart. Not being satisfied with this the robber took a second shot at Donnelly as he fell. The girl screamed and started to the rear of the store. She tripped in the shooter, who leveled his revolver at her but did not fire again. The three men dashed out of the store.

Negroes Made Their Escape.

One ran out Bedford [illegible] two others went out [illegible] to Center avenue.

Donnelly fell on the floor. His father-in-law went to his assistance, but Donnelly died before he could [illegible].

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FIRE BRINGS LOSS TO LOCAL PEOPLE

Daughter of Attorney McGill and Grandchildren of Simon O'Donnel Among Victims.

MRS. M'GILL ALSO IS HURT

The Chicago theater horror was brought home to Pittsburghers yesterday by the receipt of intelligence that the wife, daughter and sister-in-law of William M. McGill, the well-known attorney and member of the law firm of Chandler, McGill & McClung of the Park building, were among those in the theater. The first word came in a telegram to Mr. McGill yesterday morning. He started on the first train for Chicago. Press and private telegrams during the day brought the word that the daughter, Miss Elizabeth McGill, and Mrs. Charles Noll, Mrs. McGill's sister, were among the dead, while Mrs. McGill was hurt.

Later advices stated that the body of Miss McGill had been recovered and identified. The little girl is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. McGill, and the mother has been in rather poor health for a couple of years. The girl is 12 years old.

The father of Mrs. Noll and Mrs. McGill is ex-Senator Solomon K. Hoyle of Somerset, Belmont county, O.

Simon O'Donnell, general manager of the Pittsburgh Union stock yards, Herrs Island, was bereft of two grandchildren in the Iroquois theater disaster at Chicago. Mr. O'Donnell returned from Chicago Wednesday evening with Simon Iwo, his 10-year-old grandson, having made provision for a theater party for the other children of his daughter, Mrs. William S. Dee, wife of a prominent Chicago contractor. The children were Louise, aged 2½ years; Allerton and Edward, 7 year-old twins, and William Dee, aged 12. William manifested his right to enjoy the

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FIRE BRINGS LOSS TO LOCAL PEOPLE

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HOPE OF LIFE FLED WHEN DARKNESS CAME IN THEATER INFERNO

Black Veil That Overspread Interior of Ill-Fated Iroquois One of Three Potent Causes of Magnitude of Calamity.

DIES TELL OF AWFUL BATTLE

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Careful investigation of the Iroquois fire for disclosed three predominant causes. It was the consensus opinion of experts who made an investigation that there could be doubt as to the correctness of the conclusions. They follow:

1. The sudden putting out of all lights within the structure at a time when the people were endeavoring to leave their seats. The darkness caused people to stumble up or down steps.

2. The unfortunate spreading of the fire on the stage and its unlooked for communication with the auditorium, caused for the great part by an asbestos curtain that does not work, and which, if it had dropped and had been roughly fireproof, would have cut off the fiery tempest and held it within stage space.

3. The unattended doors and their failure to open, leading out of the theater to fire escapes and to landings. The doors do not look with bolts, but are held by perpendicular levers which are inclined to stick. The levers were ice coated and not in working order when the crowd attempted to open them to get out on the steel stairway.

It was admitted that there undoubtedly were minor reasons which contributed their share in bringing up the percentage of dead. Among these were the large number of women and children who actually refused to leave the theater when they knew death lurking near. Also, the fact that mischance that caused hundreds to pile up to the door beyond their strength had actually failed and the piling up in the aisles, which is necessary for a few men to try carry out women and children who had lost the strength to get out if a step here and there had not failed. Once down, once below the panic bonds, and all hope for the fallen was gone.

The circumstances which changed the opinions regarding the origin of the fire developed. Plainly, the sparks from electric wires leading to or connected with the so-called calcium borders, being operated from the upper left and corners of the stage, ignited bits of drop scenery and curtains. In two minutes the whole system of seemingly inflammable "drops" and side settings was ablaze.

The Light That Failed.

The actors rushed from the stage, the dressing rooms were emptied, a torrent of fire came in, the stage was increased to the height of fury, there was an explosion, the ash in the ventilating apparatus at the rear of the stage structure broke, there was a new rush of air, and then the Hades, angry outward surge of flame, sparks and choking smoke. The asbestos curtain naturally bellied out, as explained by the management, but many people believe the curtain should have been dropped at the first sight of fire in the opera was discovered.

Concerning the darkness that followed a electrical display on the stage, which ture was contemporaneous with the last developments of the fire, there was not left in the minds of inquirers perhaps very few lives would have been sacrificed had there been plenty of light. The people, already badly scared, were absolutely left without hope when they found they could not see.

The largest number of lifeless bodies was found directly in front of exits leading easily away from the danger points. This was especially true of the broad possible exit from the southeastern balcony, which leads out to a landing and the broad marble steps to the foyer, out which escape was a matter of a few steps.

Harvest of the Panic.

Jammed in front of this doorway the people in the theater which would have been cast out as the best one for easy withdrawal of a large audience—were probably dead.

The reason lay, first, in the darkness which prevented them going out from having the three little steps which led from the balcony to the broad landing.

The result was that while many fainted and recovered, the later ones were pitched headforemost upon their prostrate forms, falling screaming to obstruct the passageway and fell with a screaming, praying moaning mass of agony. The higher the pile of human flesh in the doorway, the worse the fate of those behind. They, too, died from suffocation, and in the rear were those beyond the slightest

southeastern exit and several exits which lead a spectator of Wednesday's fire would have witnessed a horrending scene. Women and boys took turns at doors held by new-tangled wreckage darkness prevented doing. Granting that many were, eventually opened, had fallen in front of them and particularly blocked the way, the outer shutters of iron were there. Hot from the fire, and frozen on the outside, the inmates of the theater must have lost minutes in forcing these unwieldy doings out. Once forced out, the first line of half insane people were rushed forward and pushed over the iron balconies from which they fell to the alleyway below.

Survival of the Fittest.

But scores of the stronger carried by the flames the were able to use and feet cleverly enough to hold balcony, gain a place on the stairs the ladder as the case might be, sit down, bruised and battered, but to the mount, where willing hands there.

It is not true that there were fire escape balconies jutting out over the alley called Crandon court, from which there was no ladder or stairs. It was feared that the means provided by the theater to escape from any ordinary danger—when the lights were not out—were probably as ample as any similar arrangement anywhere. The worst was that people did not get there, there was no light, there was a halt at the really door, there was the utmost confusion.

Benjamin H. Marshall, the architect, has stated if it was not his opinion that the alleged failure of the ventilating mechanism of the theater to operate might have contributed to the presence or prolong a period of fire and smoke, and had not been advised, he said, that ventilators were not in action and he did not know of any evidence to show is to be true.

"If the glass had not broken," he said, there would have been less fire and noise. You see, the opening of an additional communication with the outer air simply brought a gust into the big auditorium. The result need not be commented upon."

The architect firmly asserted that the theater, in construction and in plan, could not well be bettered.

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TWELVE MEN ARRESTED

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manager and treasurer, Edward J. Dillon, box office; Will J. Davis, jr., box office; Helen Hagan, secretary; Antonio Frosolono, director of music; G. N. Dusenberry, doorkeeper; Edward J. Cummings, master carpenter; Walter Hueston, electrician; Robert Murray, engineer.

Besides these and the hundreds of survivors, the 800 members of the ill-fated "Mr. Bluebeard" company will be summoned, the principals being: Samuel Harrison, business manager; Will Carleton, stage manager; William Plunkett and Carl Kahn, assistant stage managers; Herbert Dillon, musical director; Madame Saracco, ballet mistress; Max Maszanovich and Jandrew H. Owens, mechanical department; William Price, property; William Dunn, electrician; Mrs. Quist, wardrobe mistress; Mrs. Kelly, assistant wardrobe mistress; Bert Bwine, wardrobe man, and William Shermann, armorer.

"This will be the most rigid investigation Chicago has known," said Coroner Traeger late this afternoon. "No person guilty of any culpability shall escape. We shall place the blame just where it belongs."

The coroner's jury is as follows: L. H. Meyer, secretary of the Kennedy Furniture Company; Dr. Peter Byrnes, salesman for Lyon & Healy; Walter Clingman, salesman for the Tobey Furniture Company; Joseph A. Cummings, manager of Browning, King & Co; George W. Atkins, credit man for Marshall Field & Co.; John W. Fins, salesman for A. H. Revell & Co.

First Hearing Heard.

Coroner Traeger tonight conducted an informal inquiry into the cause of the fire. His first witness was William C. Sellers, the fireman employed at the theater. Sellers did not know just how the fire began, but said he saw it shortly after it broke out. He threw extinguishers on the blaze, but without effect. He tried to pull down the drop curtain or to tear loose the portion of it which was blazing, but without success. The fire then spread with such great rapidity that he was unable to do more. Other witnesses were examined and after they had been heard Assistant State's Attorney A. A. Heer, who was present, said:

"It seems proved that the asbestos curtain was dropped, but that it went only to within 10 or 15 feet of the stage floor. People on the stage opened the door leading from the stage into the street on the west side of the theatere and this created a strong draft. The draft blew the curtain off toward the audience. This held the curtain so tightly that all attempts to lower it further were fruitless. Attempts were made by numerous persons to pull the curtain down by hand, but without success.

"From all the information we have been able to gather thus far it seems to me as though the fault in creating the draft which threw the audience into a panic by forcing the flames out over their heads was due far more to the action of the theatrical people in opening the door at the rear of the theater than by the audience opening the doors in front. The management of the theater, I believe, claims that it was the action of the audience that made the draft which was the primary cause of the disaster. I may be wrong, but from the evidence now at hand, I think it will be shown that it was the action of the stage hands or members of the company instead of anything done by the audience in its a tempt to escape."

"I shall take steps to call a meeting of aldermen at once to appoint a subcommittee to aid in the investigation and to inspect every theater in Chicago," said Alderman Herman, who is chairman of the graft investigating committee. Then he went direct to the building department in the City hall and faced Deputy Building Commissioner Stanhope, who has held that post but two weeks.

Scored for His Fatal "O. K."

"We are tired of having things 'O. K'd' by this department," the alderman asserted, "when they are not 'O. K.' I wouldn't give a rap for this building department and its inspectors. I hear again today that an inspector sent to those ruins, where so many lost their lives, has reported that the exits were sufficient and the construction proper."

He demanded the filed plans of the theater. "There," he asserted, pointing to the blue print, "those plans show an aisle there, which by our personal inspection we know there is none there. That of itself shows that plans submitted here are not followed out and that inspectors never report these flagrant differences." Then he and the other aldermen went into conference with Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison's second proclamation, issued late this afternoon, was brief, and requests all business houses and factories to close on Saturday as a mark of respect for the dead.

J. E. O. Pridmore, whose sister, Edith Pridmore and nephew were killed in the theater fire, has asked that President Beaumont of the Illinois chapter of the American Institute of Architects ask Mayor Harrison to order all the theaters in Chicago to close for a month that a thorough examination of the safety appliances in each might be made. Beaumont refused to ask for the order.

Alderman Scully's charge that there was no asbestos fire curtain in the deathswept theater followed a dramatic incident in the gutted building.

"Do you call that asbestos?" demanded the alderman, facing Building Inspector Stanhope and Contractor Victor Falkenau, personal representatives of the theater managers.

"Yes," insisted Inspector Stanhope.

"It crumbles, you know, when exposed to intense heat."

"It does not," shouted Scully. "There was not an asbestos curtain in this house. There's an asbestos covering on that door. It hasn't burned."

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Where Hundreds Met Death

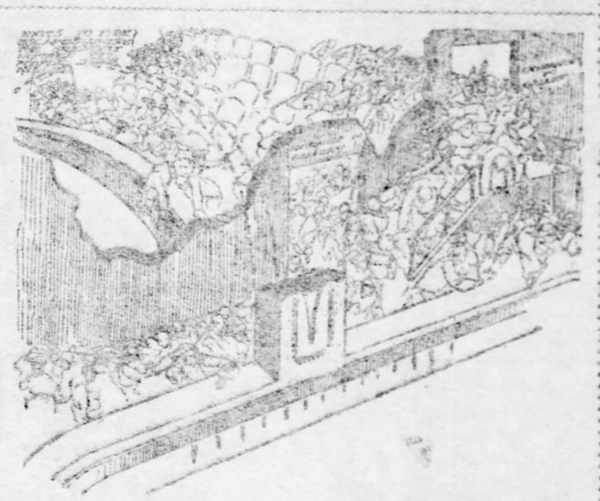

Diagram Showing the Stairway From the First Balcony of the Iroquois Theater, Where the Fatal Jam Occurred.

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one more scorcher went away mournfully satisfied.

"I Knew, Somehow, I Knew."

Danny Hayes, desk sergeant at the Larrabee street station, searched in vain among the bodies for his son, a young man of 21. An hour after he met another son in the city hall. "Any news?" he asked.

"I have found him, over at Ralston's," said the boy.

A group of policemen stood about a pile of bodies while two young women hesitatingly pulled back the white blanket that covered the remains. Suddenly one of the women tottered, and was saved from falling by her companion. Another body had been identified.

A young mother stood motioning to a helper to uncover the body of a child in a back window. "It looks about the size," she half gasped, biting her lace handkerchief, but looking with dry eyes.

"Oh," she breathed, as the turn of a garment disclosed the scorched face of a boy. "I knew, somehow, I knew." And her search was ended. So all day, and through the lingering hours of the night the work of identification went slowly on.

The coroner's jury today covered a distance of 40 miles in visiting all the morgues in two patrol wagons, two changes of horses being necessary. Mr. Traeger did all in his power to facilitate the removal of bodies from the various morgues. As soon as they were viewed by the jurors he gave the undertaker in each place permission to allow the relatives to take the remains away. Burial certificates were issued in each case as soon as the coroner was furnished with the necessary information concerning the family history.

Visited the Death Trap.

For this purpose an additional force of clerks was employed in the coroner's office all day and night. For the first time since the office has been established it was kept open until after midnight. When the last undertaking room had been visited the coroner directed the drivers of the two patrol wagons to go to the ruins of the Iroquois theater so as to give the jurors an opportunity to see them. Darkness had set in before they arrived there. Crowds of curiosity-seekers swarmed around the wagons as they drove up in front of the theater.

The jury first went to the stage and Deputy Coroner Buckley pointed out the spot where the fire was discovered. The seats in the first 10 rows on the first floor were burned, but back of that the orchestra chairs were in good condition. In one corner of the stage was a pile of brass spears and armor used in the production of "Mr. Bluebeard." All that was visible of the 180 pieces of scenery used in the extravaganza were small piles of ashes where the scenery had dropped and burned on the stage. The steel frames of the arc lights, one of which is said to have caused the catastrophe, were piled in confusion near the front of the stage.

In the Fatal Balcony.

The jury questioned Coroner Traeger regarding the asbestos curtain that had become fastened when an attempt was made to lower it. "I do not understand why this asbestos curtain was put in unless it could be used under all conditions in case of fire," said Juror Cummins. The members of the jury while engaged in inspecting the stage frequently remarked that the protection against fire seemed to have been inadequate. The jury then climbed the stairway leading to the first balcony. Here the plush covering of the seats was found to be burned off every seat from wall to wall and from the front row of the balcony to the last. An inspection was made of the exits leading to the fire escapes at the north end of the building.

"These doors are much too small; they should have been three times as large," said Juror Finn.

The iron doors were closed and locked and it was then seen that the inner doors were so close to the steel shutters that they could not be opened with the shutters fastened. This exit is not sufficiently wide for an ordinary sized man to walk through without stooping, and when the jurors learned this fact by personal experience there was considerable comment among them. The jury then ascended to the top gallery, where the greatest loss of life occurred.

Coroner Traeger pointed to the balcony rail, which was bent in several places and said that a number of spectators had jumped through these openings to the lower floor. An inspection was then made of the exits leading to the fire escapes and the jurors were told that the bodies of the dead were piled 10 feet high in front of three doors when the police reached the scene after the fire.

"If these doors were locked somebody was criminally negligent," said Juror Finn.

Grewsome Relics Found.

"The exits are too small, anyway," said Foreman Meyer, as he measured the doors leading to the fire escapes.

In both balconies there were hundreds of grewsome relics of the catastrophe scattered between the seats where they had been dropped by the terrified victims. There were a score or more of rubber shoes, muffs, handkerchiefs, gloves, children's woolen hoods and mittens. A gold trimmed comb was found with the inscription "From Jack to Lottie, Christmas, 1903."

Under one seat was found a tiny doll which had evidently been taken to the theater by a little girl. The jurors were deeply affected by the sight as they sorted over the relics of the disaster. At the conclusion of the inspection of the theater it was decided to continue the inquest until next Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

A few of the questions to which the jury will endeavor to obtain satisfactory answers at the inquest are:

Were the steel doors leading to the fire escapes on the first and second balconies locked when the fire broke out.

If they were locked were they opened promptly by the attendants.

Why was it impossible to lower the asbestos curtain? Why did the management permit the use of arc lights in the flies with no device to prevent sparks from the carbons igniting the borders of the scenery and curtains?

Why did the ushers shut all the doors and urge the audience to remain seated after the fire broke out instead of doing everything possible to empty the house?

GREWSOME LIST CHANGED

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DRYDEN, TAYLOR.
DRYDEN, MRS. JOHN.
DAWSON, GRACE, 5 years old.
DEITCHAER, MRS. JOHN, St. Louis.
DAWSON, MRS. Harrington, Ia.
DELEE, VIOLET.
DOLAN, MICHAEL.
DOW, FLORENCE.
DUNCANSON, MRS. MAY.
DONLESSON, MRS. CLARA A.
DEE, WILLIAM E.
DUNSMUL, MISS MARY.
DOWNS, MRS. CHARLES, Evanston, Ill.
DYRENFORTH, HELEN, Evanston, Ill.
DIXSON, LEAH.
DORE, MISS LILLIAN.
DECKER, MAMIE.
DIVINE, ——.
DEE, EDDIE, 7 years old.
DODD, ——, daughter of J. F. Dodd, Delaware, O.
DEVALLS, MRS. ELIZABETH.
DECKERM, MYRON.

E

EISENSTEAD, HERMAN.
ELDRIDGE, MORT.
ESSEN, ——.
ESPEN, MISS.
EBERSTEIN, FRANK B.
EDWARDS, MARJORIE, Clinton, Ia.
ENGEL, MAURICE.
ENGELHIP, ——.
EISENDRATH, NATALIA.
EICKERSTEIN, MRS. J. A.
ERNEST, ROSENO.
ENGLESON, WILLIAM.
EALIAD, ELMA.
ESTEIN, ROSA.
ELKAN, ROSE.
EBERSTEIN, MRS. J. G.

F

FALKENSTEIN, MISS GERTRUDE.
FITZGIBBONS, ANNA.
FOX, GEORGE SIDNEY, son of F. Morton Fox.
FLANNAGAN, THOMAS J., Indianapolis.
FULKENSTEIN, MISS GERTRUDE H.
FRADY, MRS. LILLIAN M.
FRADY, JESON.
FOLEY, MISS.
FOLZ, HELEN.
FITZGIBSONS, JOHN J.
FITZGERALD, MISS ANNA.
FOSTER, MRS. O.
FISER, MARY.
FOLKE, ADA.
FOST, MISS E. L., No. 146 Thirty-fifth street.
FOX, MRS. Wilmette, Ill.
FAHEY, MARY.
FRACK, ODESSA, Ottawa, Ill.
FORBUSH, MRS. C. W., Evanston, Ill.

G

GARN, MISS J.
GRAFF, L., Bloomington, Ill.
GARTZ, MARY DOROTHEA.
GARTZ, BARBARA.
GIBBONS, ISABELLE, Wilmette, Ill.
GEARY, MISS PAULINE.
GERRY, MISS WILMA.
GOHAN, J.
GOULD, MRS. B. B.
GARTZ, HARRY.
GOULD, B. E.
GARN, FRANK.
GARN, WILLIS.
GOLDEN, VERA.
GREENEY, MRS. BELLE.
GRADY, LEON.
GUSTAVSON, ALMA.
GAGNE, N.
GUDEHEF, SOPHIE.
GRAVES, MRS. CLARA.
GOSS, MRS. JOSEPH J.
GERHART, MRS. ADELAIDE.
GRAFFIUS, MRS. RICHARD, Bloomington, Ill.
GOODHEART, MAX.
GEIK, MRS. EMMA.

H

HART, MRS. NELLIE E., Atkinson, Ill.
HISCOX, MARY.
HALBERTON, E. B.
HUTCHINS, MISS JEANETTE.
HICKMAN, LIDA.
HALL, EMPERLY.
HAVILAND, MISS LEE.
HARBAUGH, MRS.
HOWLAND, JOHN.
HOWARD, MRS. MARY E.
HART, E. D.
HENRY, MRS. G. A., Galesburg, Ill.
HIGGINSON, ROGER.
HOYART, ELLEN.
HOLST, GERTRUDE.
HOOPER, W. W., Kenosha, Wis.
HOWARD, MISS HELEN.
HOUSTON, LEIGH.
HORTON, EDITH, Ottoman, Mich.
HOWARD, RAY E.
HIGGINSON, JEANNETTE.
HARBAUGH, MARY E.
HICKMAN, MRS. CHARLES.
HENNESSY, WILLIAM.
HOLMES, MRS. HULDA.
HAVILAND, LEIGH.
HOLLAND, LILIAN, Des Moines, Ia.
HERRON, SESSIE L., Hammond, Ind.
HROBY, MRS. ANNA.
HEWINES, DR. EMERY, Petersburg, Ind.
HEMMING, RICHARD.
HART, MISS ELIZABETH, Evanston, Ill.
HUTCHINS, H. L., Biron, Wis.
HAYDE, FRANK.
HICKMAN, CHARLES.
HARPER, BERTHA.
HIGGINSON, MRS. JAMES, Wilmerville.
HELMS, OTTO.

I

IRLE, MRS. ANDREW.

J

JONES, ETHEL.
JOHNSON, J. C.
JAMES, C. D.
JONES, MRS. ANNA.
JACKSON, MISS VERA R.
JAMES, C. D., Davenport, Ia.

K

KULAS, MRS. GEORGENA.
KAUFMAN, ALICE, Hammond, Ind.
KELLY, OTTO.
KIELY, HARVEY, St. Louis.
KOCHENS, ——.
KNOBLOCH, CHARLES H.
KISNER, LOUIS and WIFE.
KENNEDY, AGNES.
KENNEDY, FRANCES.
KOLL, MRS. CHARLES.
KETCHAM, MRS.
KEEMS, MRS. FRANK.
KRANZ, MRS. SARAH, Racine, Wis.
KOCHENS, MRS. FRANK.
KUEHEL, ALA.
KLINE, ALICE.
KURLEY, MINNIE, Logansport, Ind., 6 years old.

L

LAKE, MRS. LENA.
LAKE, MRS. A.
LANG, IRENE.
LANG, HORTENSE.
LINDEN, ELLEN.
LAND, AGNES.
LIVINGSTON, MRS. DAISY.
LEATON, FRED W.
LEAVENWORTH, MRS. FRANK, Bloomington, Ill.
LOETTKER, ED, (card found on woman).
LUDENSON, ROSE.
LAFFMAN, or LASMANN, SUSIE, Laporte, Ind.
LOVE, MARGARET, Woodstock, Ill.
LONG, KATHRINE, Geneva, Ill.
LEHMAN, FRANCELLE.

M

MALONEY, MRS. JAMES D.
MEYER, J. Pullman, Ill.
MARTIN, W. Pullman, Ill.
MARTIN, HAROLD, Pullman, Ill.
MARTIN, ROBERT, Pullman, Ill.
MCCADDAN, HELEN.
MCCLELLAN, ——.
MCCLELLAND, JAMES.
MORRIS, MABEL A., age 17 years.
MUELLER, MRS. EMILIA, Milwaukee.
MARSHALL, MRS.
MERRIEN, MILDRED.
MOSES, ESPIE.
MUIR, F. A.
MENDEL, MRS. AUGUSTA.
MORELOCK, H. H.
MORTON, EDMUND W., St. Louis.
MCKENNA, BERNARD.
MORELOCK, BENJAMIN, Ill.
MORELOCK, MABEL.
MALONEY, ALICE, Ottawa, Ill.
MERRIAM, MRS. R. H.
MURRAY, CHARLES.
MUELLER, S.
MARSHALL, EDITH.
MITCHELL, DORA, Lockport, Ill.
MOAK, MISS ANNA.
MUIR, MAMIE, Peoria, Ill.
MUELLER, KATHERINE.
MEAD, LUCILLE.
MCHALE, MRS. EDWARD.
MEADE, LILLIAN, Bedford, Ill.
MENDEL, MISS A. N., Meola, Ia.
MENDELL, ——.
MILLER, WILL.
MUIR, MRS. A. S.
MARTIN, EARL.
MCGEE, MRS. ELLA, Wisconsin.
MILL, ELIZABETH, Pittsburgh, Pa.
MARTIN, MISS EDITH, Ontonagon, Mich.
MCKENNA, MRS. J. J.
MOAK, LENA, Watertown, Wis.
MEANS, MRS. MARY.
MOSSLER, PAULINE, 13 years old, Hammond, Ind.
MOORE, MRS. MATTIE Hart, Mich.
MANN, ——.
MCLAUGHLIN, WILLIAM.
MULHOLLAND, JOSEPHINE.
MYERS, EDNA.
MURPHY, DR. WITT J., Age 12.
MOORE, BENJAMIN, family of five still missing.
MOORE, MISS SYBIL, Hart, Mich.
MENGER, MISS ANNA.
MILLS, FRANK.
MCLURE, LAWRENCE.

N

NORTON, EDITH, Evanston, Ill.
NORTH, EDWARD W., St. Louis.
NEWMAN, MRS. MARY.
NORTON, MATTIE.
NEWELY, MRS. LUTHER G.
NEWMAN, MRS. ANNA.

O

OAKEY, LUCIAN.
O'DONNELL, MRS. PATRICK P.
OLINGER, MRS. BESSIE.
OLSEN, MRS. PETER.
OWEN, WILLIAM MURRY.
OWEN, MRS. MURRAY, Wheaton, Ill.
OXMAN, FLORENCE.
OSBORN, MRS. FRANCES O.
OWENS, ——, daughter of above.
OLSON, AUGUSTA.
OWEN, MRS. WILLIAM.

P

POWLE, LINDEN, Lakeside, Ill.
PRIDMORE, EDITH.
PEASE, GRACE E.
PETERSON, FORNETTA.
PEARL, ——.
PHACKEL, WALTER.
PHILIPSON, MUELE.
POTTLEYER, JACK, Lafayette, Ind.
PAGE, CHARLES F.
PATTON, ADRIAN.
PAGE, HAROLD.
PUDGE, MRS. L. H., Plainwell, Mich.
POWER, MISS LILLY.
PETERSON, WILLIAM.
PULMAN, WILLIAM.
PERSINGER, MRS. FRANK.
PILAT, JOSEPHINE.
PETERSON, MISS ANTOINETTE, Fargo, N. D.
PRAZE, ELIZABETH, 6 years old.
PELTON, LILLIAN, Des Moines, Ia.
PERSINGER, HEWITT.
PAGE, BERTHA.
PARRY, DR. ALBERT J.

R

REILLY, MISS NELLIE.
RATLEY, WILLIAM.
RATTRY, J.
REITER, HET G.
REINSBERG, HAZEL.
REGENSBERG, MISS ADELE.
REGENSBERG, M.
RAND, W. A.
RUTHERFORD, REV. M. L.
ROGERS, ROSE B.
ROSS, ——, 14-year-old girl.
RILEY, MRS. J. M.
RIMES, ——, aged 10 years.
ROBERTS, THEODORE.
REMINGTON, THOMAS.
ROBERTSON, MINNIE.
ROBERTS, THEODORE, Woodford, O.
REES, ERN.
REIFF, ANNA.
REIF, MARY.
RICE, MRS. WILLIAM.
REED, NELLIE.
RUSSE, LILLIAN.
RUBEL, MRS. LOUISE.

S

SULLIVAN, ELLA, Rozeville, Ill.
SPRECHT, EVA.
SPRECHT, MRS. A. W.
SEDDIS, WARNER, Kankakee, Ill.
SMITHBARRY, WILMA.
SHEPPARD, LOLA.
SCOTT, BURR.
SHEPARD, MYRTLE.
SHARRARD, LULU.
SHEAR, ——.
STRANG, W. N.
SPENCE, MRS.
SUTTON, HARRY P.
SCHINNEY, MRS. O. T. P.
SAVIER, WARREN E.
SCHULTZ, MISS MARGARET.
SHERMAN, MRS. A. N.
SHABAD, MYRTLE.
SHERIDAN, ANDREW.
SYLVESTER, DOROTA, Hinsdale, Mo.
SCHNEIDER, MRS. ——, Lowell, Ind.
STEINDLER, DOROTHY.
SPRING, MRS. WINTHROP.
STODDARD, DONALD.
SMITH, MRS. ——, Despiaines, Ill.
SMITH, OLIVE.
SAVILLE, ARTHUR.
SPRING, WINTHROP.
SCHMIDT, ROSA.
SHEGOLLA, G.
SCHAEFER, MRS. N. M., Des Moines, Ia.
SEISER, MRS. HARRY.
SMITH, MARIE, Despiaines, Ill.
STRING, D.
STAFFORD, MISS ROSIE.
SCHONBECK, MRS. ANNE.
STODDARD, MRS. DELLA M., Minonk, Ill.
SPRAY, N. W.
SCHREIBER, ADELENE.
SUTHERLAND, W.
STODDARD, ISABELLA, Hinsdale, Ill.
SEYMOUR, JOSEPH.
SWARTS, IRENE.
SAVIER, MRS. DEBBIE.
SLOCUM, MRS. JAMES H.
STALLMAN, CLARA.
SQUIER, OSCAR, 7 years old.
SILL, CHILDS.
STOCKBRIDGE, ELVINA.
SAWYER, MRS. J.

T

THOMPSON, CLYDE.
TAYSON, RUTH, Ozbark, Ill.
THACKER, WALTER.
TORNEY, EDNA.
TURNEY, MISS SUSAN.
TURRUSH, C. W.
TOBIAS, FLORENCE, Wilmette, Ill.
THACHE, W.
THAER, MRS. R. B., Ottawa, Ill.
TEASE, MRS. GRACE ELIZABETH.
TAYLOR, ADAM.
TIBBOMAN, MRS. SUSIE.
TAYLOR, JAMES N.
TIEMANN, EMMA.
WENTON, MISS ALICE.
WILTON, MISS ALICE.
WAGNER, MARY ANN.
WEBER, MRS. CHARLES.
WEININGER, LOUIS.
WILSON, MRS. EVA.

Z

ZEISLER, WALTER B.
ZIMMERMAN, MRS. MARY E.
ZIMMERMAN, ELIZABETH.
TAYLOR, IRENE.
TAYLOR, MRS. J. M.
PALMER, MISS FLORA, Evanston, Ill.
THOMAS, MISS CLARA.
TURNEY, CARRIE.

V

VALLEY, MISS BERNICE.
VAN INGEN, JOHN, Kenosha, Wis.
VAN ZEGAN, EDWARD T., Kenosha, Wis.
VALLEY, MRS. J. T.
VAN INGEN, EDWARD L., Kenosha, Wis.
VAN INGEN, MARGARET, Kenosha, Wis.
VAN INGEN, GRACE, Kenosha, Wis.
VAN INGEN, BETTIE, Kenosha, Wis.
VETT, MISS, Lenox, Mass.

W

WOLF, MRS. LEO, Richmond, Ind.
WUNDERLICH, HELEN.
WALDMAN, S.
WOLFMANN, OTTO.
WILLAMS, A. J.
WINSLOW, C. A., Three River Falls, Minn.
WELLS, DONALD.
WINDES, DAVID.
WRIGHT, JANET.
WOLFF, MRS. RELA.
WISKOFF, EMMA.
WASHINGTON, MISS FREDA.
WEINERMAN, ——.
WEIDLER, MRS. JOHN J.
WYMER, MRS. THOMAS.
WHITE, MISS FLORENCE O.
WIRE, ELIZABETH.
WILSON, EDWARD J.
WASHINGTON, JOHN.
WIMMER, IDA.
WILBER, MRS. CARRIE.

MISSING.

A

Stella Alexander, 8 years old; Mrs. Alexander, William Ansen.

B

Helen Bagley, Mrs. J. Bartlett and daughter, Dorothy, Hammond, Ind.; Mrs. Louis Benner, Bennett Butler, 14 years; Victor Betz, Rockland, Ill.; Mrs. Frank Betz and three daughters, Rockland, Ill.; Libbi Bolt, Miss Elizabeth Bolton, J. W. Bowdoin, Miss Edith Bowdoin, Miss Ethel Boyer, Mrs. Mary Boyle, Miss Cornelia Byrne, Mr. Boyer, wife and child; Esther Burnside, Arthur Burnett, 6 years old; Emma Bartlett, 12 years old; Mrs. Bartlett, 11 years old; Mrs. Arthur Berger, Mrs. Arthur Berger, Mrs. Marion Bloom, Mrs. Joseph Bernard, Mrs. Martin and mother, Miss Adele Beauchamp, 17 years old; Ada Bixler, Hazel, 15; Adelaide Bixler, 12 years old; Edward Bixler, 10 years old; Mrs. Burnside, Beatrice Bailey, 11 years old; Mrs. P. J. Brennan and son, Mrs. J. Bowman, Mrs. Fred E. Bond and two children, Mamie L. Bird.

C

Winifred Cardena, 14 years old; Birdie Clark, Lottie Culbertson, 10 years old; Mrs. Susan Cooney, Mrs. John Cathcart, Mrs. F. Bergen, Mrs. Joseph Colburn, Mrs. Lillian Cordry, Des Moines, Ia.; Mary Cramton, Mrs. Gussie Chapman, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Miss Nina Chapman, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Joseph Cullinan, Marion, Ind.; Burlow Clayton, Arthur Candida, mother; Theodore Conroy, Robert Cantwell, St. Louis, Mo.; ——— Clayton, boy, 15 years old; Mrs. William W. Corlett and two sons.

D

Mrs. Danley, Burlington, Ia.; Miss Leah Dixon, Mrs. Anna Dixon, Elma Dixon, 9 years old; Miss F. ——, Mrs. Dorsey, Mrs. William Jerome Dewhurst, Margaret Devine, Helen Davy, Mary Donahue, Frank Dooley, son of Justice Dooley; Mrs. Arthur Du Bois, Simon Demmick, Miss Clara Devlin, Joseph Dougherty.

E

Miss S. Elder, J. H. Elbert and wife, Elizabeth Eddy, Georgia Ege, Miss Virginia Early, Edward Eisenhauer, Mrs. Anna Eaton, Dixon, 14 years old; Mrs. C. E. Elder, Mrs. Zorn, Mrs. J. N. Evans, Mrs. S. Eisenstein.

F

Elva M. Factor, Mrs. Gertrude Fitzpatrick, Mrs. R. Follis, Peggy at theater, also her children, May and Vivian, members of the ballet; Mrs. Edgar Fraser, Aurora, Ill.; Eva Fowler, Mrs. M. Freeman, Rose, Mrs. Jennie Freeman, Niles, Mich.; Miss Jean Fraser, Mrs. Will Fish, Rockford, Ill.; Peter Flett, Kenosha, Wis.; Mrs. Nell Fuller, Mrs. P. A. Fiske, Geneva, Ill.; Mrs. Joseph Fenney, Quincy, Ill.; Herman Fehrer, Gertie Fehr, Alice Fehr.

G

Mrs. L. F. Gam, Lucy Greenwald, Lena M. Greenwald, Ellen Gothard, Rosalene, Ill.; Mrs. J. Gothard, Rosalene, Ill.; Mrs. Gam, Miss Lillie Gam, Mrs. J. Goldrman, Lydia Goodheart, Willie Gam.

H

William Hastings, James Hennessy, Charles Hennings, Fanny Heiser, Petersburg, Ill.; ——— Hiser, boy; Mrs. Hopfett and daughter, Barbara, and Mary Gertzi; Adeline Hoffman, Mrs. J. Huth, Helen Huth, aged 10 years; Donald Huth, aged 5 years; Dorothy Huth, aged 6 years; Winifred Howard, Otto Heimm, Mrs. Elva Howard, Eleanor Harris, Rockwood, Ill.; Mrs. L. Hanson, Mrs. Nellie Hart, Mrs. Grace Hyde, Mrs. Myrtle Hyde, Mrs. Harry Archer, Hillsdale, 12 years old; Robert Hoch, aged 10 years; Miss Lena Hennings, Miss Nina Hansen, Mrs. Ella Hoch, Harriet Harbaugh, William Hopard, Willie Hutchinson, Mrs. Guy Hedley and two children, Logansport, Ind.

I

Irene Jones, 16 years old; Mrs. Warner Jones, E. J. Jordan, Mrs. Minnie Jacobson.

K

Ellen Kiley, Harry M. Kelly, 17 years old; Mrs. Charles Kiley, Mrs. Sophie Joseph Kingsley, Mamie Koehler, 17 years old; Mrs. Marie Koehler, 15 years old; Mrs. H. A. Kaiser and two children, William H. Kraft, Pauline, Mrs. Mary Francis Kircher, 11 years old; Mrs. Kohl, 30 years old.

L

Matilda La Rose, 10 years; Josephine La Rose, Laura La Rose, 9 years; Henry Lambert, Oak Park; Dorothy Lemmerer, 12 years; Kalph Longacre, Mrs. Jessie Longacre, Mrs. Lindell R. Lovell, Norwood Park; Mrs. H. Ludwig, Kenosha, Wis.; Mrs. Ludwig, Kenosha, Wis.; Mrs. Frank Lee and two children, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Lee, Geneva, Ill.

M

Mrs. N. H. Marion, Mrs. C. C. Merriman, Miss Marguerite Moak, Elsie Mayo, 10 years old; S. Meyers and child, Miss Violet Moak, Miss McGill, 12 years old; Mrs. Nellie Morris, Mrs. H. Mendel, Laura R. Mayer, 10 years old; Miss Mabel Miller, John Miller, Mrs. Heath, family of five, infant dead; Miss Lillie McAllister, Lizzie Mason, 14 years; M. B. McKay, 6 years old; Mrs. Walter Mabee, Evanston, Ill.; Donald Morton, Harry Mabee, Evanston, Ill.; Miss Mabel Morris, Louis Mayer, Mrs. Hyzer Miller, Ella Mueller, Milwaukee; Miss Mattie Martin, Onteniogon, Mich.

N

A. Neuman, 10 years; Mrs. W. Noonan, Conaress Park; her two children; Mrs. William Nesbitt and two daughters; Mrs. E. B. Noble.

O

Dr. A. J. Oakey, Lucile Oaker, 12 years; Elvina Owen, Mrs. J. J. O'Brien, has a theater party; neither she nor children have been found; Warren Oakey, 10 years.

P

Lottie Peach, Sydney Anstruin; Miss Rosalind Parks, Ethel Park, 7 years old; Stella Trainer, Mrs. Fred Pond, Robert Pond, aged 3; Raymond Pond, aged 12; Miss Ruth Parson, Miss Toast, Etta Potter, aged 7 years; Abner Potter, aged 5; Mrs. Bowdle; Mrs. Rice and two children; Mrs. Robertson, Miss Peggie, Dunbar; Mrs. Pyle, Mrs. Ida Pyle, Mrs. S. B. Fraser, William Palmer, wife and two sons; William Patterson, Crawford, Patterson.

Q

Mrs. Jeanette Quinn.

R

Mrs. M. Ilmer, Margery Ilmer, 10 years; Edgar Rhodes, 6 years; M. B. Ritter, Ruth Robbins, Thomas Rowbotham, Mrs. Otto Reiter, Mrs. Joseph Rodd, Miss Ruth Reed, Vera Rosalie, 14 years old; Freda Rosalie, 17 years old; Mrs. E. Rosalie; Mrs. Rice and two children; Jane Rowles, W. J. Reynolds, Joseph Reynolds, 7 years old; Harry Reilly, Ahnd Romaine, John W. Reid.

S

Helen Sailer, Mrs. Edward Schreiner, Barbara Schmeider, Peggy Sullivan, 7 years old; Gladys Symons, Miss Ida Simmons, Perrysburg, Ohio; Mrs. H. F. Stanford, Alice Stinson, Mary Schwartz, 12 years old; Mrs. C. M. Sherman, Chester Sherman, Albert, 10 years; Charles Smith, 12 years old; Mrs. Smith, M

Weather—Fair.

JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Friday, January 1, 1904.

OUR GREATEST JANUARY CLEARANCE BEGINS TOMORROW.

Women's Handkerchiefs—Loom Ends.

At 12½c, Regularly 25c and 35c.

"Loom Ends" or "Overs" mean that the manufacturer in running large orders through the looms generally has left quite a number over what the order calls for.

Our leading manufacturer of Belfast shipped us many thousands of these loom end handkerchiefs, and they would be all right at the regular prices of 25c and 35c. They are finished with hand-embroidered initial, seven different styles of letters, each handkerchief is hemstitched, and each handkerchief is laundered.

At 5c each—6 for 50c—5,000 women's plain Hemstitched Handkerchiefs—sheer and heavy weights—the kind that always sell in a regular way for 15c.

Nearly Half Prices for Men's and Boys' Winter Clothing.

The suggestion is thrown out to be early in this second floor department tomorrow morning.

$6.75 per suit for Men's Winter Suits heretofore selling for $10.00, $12.00 and $15.00. Mostly large sizes.

$10.00 for Men's Winter Suits heretofore selling for $18.00 and $20.00. Sizes for young men also in this lot.

$7.50 for Boys' Long Trouser Suits, heretofore selling for $12.00 and $15.00.

$3.50 for Boys' Reefers, heretofore selling for $6.00 and $7.00.

$5.00 for Boys' Reefers, heretofore selling for $8.00 and $10.00.

A Page of Choice New Year's Breakfast Food.

BEGINNING on the last day of the week it is a splendid time to set the thousands of people who will be here a-thinking—thinking of what economy really means as outlined by the wonderful reductions we make on every class of winter goods. The purport of these half-yearly clearances is well understood, not only in Greater Pittsburg, but in all the towns surrounding the greater city. Lengthy remarks regarding this important sale are tabooed, the argument is left to the reduced prices, which show up strongly all through this announcement.

Dress Goods and Silks in the Basement.

This is an innovation that we introduce tomorrow, special lines of excellent dress goods and silks being on sale in basement of East store.

Dress Goods at 25c a yard.

We will offer at a price of 25c a yard some 5,000 yards of Dress Goods that are worth and sell for 35c, 40c and 50c a yard. They are represented in many different arrangements of colors as well as in black.

Silks in the Basement.

25c a yard for a 35c grade of plain white Habutai and 38c a yard for a 50c grade.

42c a yard for a 55c grade of plain and changeable Taffeta, good range of colorings.

49c a yard for a 75c grade of black Japanese Silk, 27 inches wide.

38c a yard for a 45c grade of Black Wash Cords, 12 different styles.

Rugs—Clearance Reductions.

Large rugs and small rugs in the cases below the half-price line.

Brussels Carpet Samples, 1½ yards make very neat rugs, worth $2.00, $1.00 each.

Wilton Carpet Samples, 1½ yards long, worth $4.50, now $1.50 each.

Velvet Carpet Samples, 1½ yards long, worth $2.50, now $1.25 each.

Smyrna all-wool reversible Rugs, 3x6 ft. size, worth $2.25, now $1.50 each.

Smyrna all-wool reversible rugs, worth $1.00, now 65c each.

Kashmir Rugs, 12x9 ft., reversible, guaranteed fast colors, copies of best Persian patterns, $10.00 each.

Girl's Attire—Clearance Reductions.

The oft puzzling question of how to clothe the young members of the family on economical lines was never more forcibly presented than in the following relating to dress for girls and misses.

$3.00, lowered from $5.00—sizes 4 to 12 years—White Lawn Dresses trimmed with lace and embroidery. Some of them are slightly mussed.

$5.00, lowered from $8.50—sizes 4 to 10 years—Russian Dresses in plaids and checks, trimmed in braid.

$6.00, lowered from $14.00—sizes 4 to 10 years—Russian Dresses of mohair and all-wool serge, blue, brown, red.

$5.00, lowered from $10.00 and $12.00—sizes 4-6-8 years—Long Coats of kersey, broadcloth and cheviot, lined throughout.

$2.00, lowered from $7.50—sizes 4 to 12 years—half and three-quarter length Jackets of cheviot and kersey.

$5.00, lowered from $10.00 and $12.00—sizes 6-12 years—Jackets of blue, brown and red kersey and cheviot.

Half Prices—sizes 3 to 8 years—lot of White Lawn Aprons.

$2.00, lowered from $7.50—young ladies' Short Jackets of kersey and cheviot.

$5.00, lowered from $10.00—sizes 4 to 16 years—short and half-length Jackets of cheviot and kersey.

$10.00, lowered from $22.00 and $25.00—sizes 14-16 years—black Silk Coats, finished with embroidery and lace collars.

Women's Neckwear—Clearance Reductions.

All Liberty Silk and Chiffon Boas will be sold tomorrow for half of former prices, $6.00 boas for $3.00, $9.00 boas for $4.50, $10.00 boas for $5.00 and up to $25.00 boas for $13.50.

Other important reductions follow:

Persian and Liberty Scarfs and Squares, slightly mussed, at half prices and less—at $1.50, from $3.50, at $2.00, from $7.50, at $4.00, from $8.00, at $6.50, from $9.00.

All Ostrich Feather Stoles one-fifth of former prices.

Black Chantilly Lace Scarfs, 9 inches wide, 1 3-4 yards long, former prices $1.00 and $1.50, tomorrow 25c and 50c each.

Fancy silk and chiffon Stocks at 25c from 50c, at 50c from $1.00, at 75c from $1.50, at $1.00 from $2.00.

Large Lace Collars and Reveres, $1.25 instead of $2.50.

Washable Stocks at 25c, 50c, 75c and $2.00, former prices 50c, $1.00 and up to $3.50.

A lot of twice-around Mull Ties, stock attached, 35c, were $1.25 and $1.50.

All mussed and tousled Neckwear that formerly sold for 25c and 50c, will be on table tomorrow at 6c each.

Women and Their Dress—Different Styles Grouped for Quick Reading.

This Clearance occasion is of intense interest to women, and in no department of the store is this interest more manifest than in the department of ready-made clothes. Besides clearing away up-to-date garments for greatly lowered prices, we also introduce certain new lines of apparel and sell them for clearance prices. This will be noticed as a further reading is given this section.

Silk Shirtwaist Suits, $9.50—value $20.00.

Women will have a pleasant remembrance of our famous sale of Foulard Silks in the early part of the year just past, when we sold over 400 suits in two days. This is a similar sale, only that the silk suits we now offer are worth double those in the former sale. The material employed is an all-silk peau de soie. The skirts are either plain or pleated. The waists are handsomely tucked and pleated, or you can choose plain waists or waists with silk pendants. The entire suit is correctly and fashionably made. The lot is a fairly good sized one, there being over 200 suits in sizes ranging from 32 to 44 bust. Nevertheless, remembering the former occasion, it would be best to use the early hours of tomorrow for selection. There is black, there is navy and a good sprinkling of other colors. These suits were first in the house from New York late last evening.

Furs—Coats, Scarfs, Muffs.

In addition to our very large stock, replenished many times during the holiday season, we closed out this week from New York furriers several fine lines for very much less than the value of the raw skins. These will be on sale at clearance prices. In all our many years of selling furs we never saw them sold at such a saving.

$8.75 Fox Boas—$10.00 grades—large tails, good color, fine grade of skins.

$9.50 Fox Boas—$15.00 grade—Isabella or Sable, large tails.

$12.00 handsome Fox Boas—$18.00 grade — one of our finest specimens of underprices.

$15.00 Alaska Fox Boas—$20.00 grade—Splendid in every way.

$14.50 Mink Scarfs—$22.00 grade—natural skins with tails.

$22.00 Blue Lynx Scarfs—$35.00 grade—very large and fine.

$30.00 Chinchilla Flat Scarfs—$45.00 grade—excellent value for first price.

$16.50 Flat Pelerines—$25.00 grade—lined with satin.

$33.00 Black Lynx Boas—$55.00 grade—remarkably rich fur.

All the other grades of furs are reduced as well as Muffs in all furs from the $2.00 Muff up to finest Sable, in some instances to half price.

$100.00 for Persian Lamb Coats—$150.00 grade—24 inches long, new models — guaranteed skins.

$175.00 Alaska Sealskin Coats—$250.00 grade—24 inches long, very fine skins. All sizes in stock.

$30.00 Nearseal Coats—$45.00 grade—handsome imitation of the real seal.

$39.00 Nearseal Coats—$55.00 grade—only an expert can tell them from real seal.

Fancy Persian Broadtail and Seal Coats, trimmed with Russian or Hudson Bay Sable, Baum Marten and Chinchilla, reduced to half prices.

Walking and Dress Suits.

Telling reductions all through the line, beginning with the least expensive and running on through to very fine dresses.

$10.00—Heretofore $20.00 and $25.00—about 50 suits and only one of a kind in dress and walking styles. No alterations on this $10.00 line and none of them subject to exchange or return.

$15.00—Heretofore $20.00 and $25.00—desirable group Walking and Dress Suits in cheviots, mixtures, etc.—black, blue and other colors. Blouses, three-quarter coats, extreme lengths. Not many of each style, but all sizes.

$18.00—Heretofore $25.00—an interesting lot of practical Suits for street or dress wear, broadcloth, cheviot, zibeline, mixtures and other weaves. Many of these suits have silk drop skirts. All are in seasonable colorings and some of the suits are Spring models.

$20.00—Heretofore $30.00 and $35.00—Walking and Dress Suits in the latest tailor models. Half, three-quarter and extreme length coats. Various styles of trimming. The suits are made of high grade cheviot, zibeline and mixtures. They are lined either with silk or satin.

$25.00—Heretofore $35.00 and $40.00—Really the cream of our stock at the price. As complete a showing as will be found in mid-season. A great many of these suits are exactly the styles that will be in vogue next Spring, as we are generally a full season in advance on a great many models. All sorts of good cloths, all sorts of good colors, all sorts of good models.

$30.00—Heretofore $40.00 and $45.00, and a few that were $50.00—Rather difficult to enumerate all the styles and cloths in this group, but to those who are familiar with the excellence of our suits at $40.00 to $500.00 this announcement will be fully significant. The walking styles are those brought out recently and the dress styles are most all with fine silk drop skirts. The coats are handsomely trimmed with Braid, ornaments, laces, etc. As Fashion has pronounced in favor of short blouse and Eton Jacket effects for next Spring a large number of these styles will be met with.

$35.00, $40.00, $50.00 and $60.00 — Heretofore $50.00, $60.00, $75.00, $100.00 and $125.00 — will introduce women to Paris and Berlin models as well as the best American copies, some of the imported garments were made to our order for show purposes, and in these are embodied the best features of the highest class designers. Etons and blouses as well as long coat models.

Waists of Various Materials.

Some Spring styles are included in this offer, and among the silk, cotton and wool waists there is every model and every color and every size.

$3.50 for Silk Waists that were $5.00. All silk peau de soie with stock. Full sleeve, all lined, trimmed with tucks and pleats. Black and all colors, including plenty of evening shades.

$4.90 for Shirtwaists that were $7.50. Handsome waists of peau de soie, trimmed with pretty lace motifs and liberally trimmed with French knots.

$7.25 for All-Lace Waists that were $12.50. Entire waist of Irish all-over, some with beautiful medallions and motifs, some with net and chiffon yoke. Only 30 of these in all.

$7.75, $8.50 and up to $18.00 for our fine Evening and Dress Waists in various silks, former prices beginning at $11.50 and running to $30.00.

$1.00 for madras and vesting Waists that were $1.50 and $2.00, some even higher. White ground with black effects.

$1.50 for cotton Waists that were $2.50 and $3.00. Arranged on large table in sizes. Nothing like these ever shown for the price.

$2.00 for cotton Waists that were $3.50 to $4.00, including many standard makes, such as King, Fisk, Clark & Flagg and others.

$3.00, $4.00, $5.00 for Waists reduced from $5.00 to $10.00. These are fine imported Waists, and contain many smart and exclusive models.

Costumes and Party Gowns.

Every Paris maker of note is represented in this showing, the gowns are this season's productions, and there are all sizes up to 42 bust. The materials are crepe de chene, Louisine, all lace, Voiles, Vestings, etc.

$400.00 Dresses are $190.00.

$300.00 Dresses are $150.00.

$200.00 Dresses are $100.00.

$150.00 Dresses are $ 75.00.

$100.00 Dresses are $ 50.00.

And at $23.00 and $35.00 will be found a great many Costumes in colors and black made over silk and prettily trimmed Coats and Wraps.

In this department the lowering of prices is significantly attractive, in fact we do not recall when such radical reductions were before made. But a few items are enumerated, but they will serve as an index to the entire line.

$7.75 for Coats formerly $15.00. Handsome all-wool kersey and cheviot coats, lined with satin, loose or fitted backs, with or without capes, flat collars or no collars. All sizes, several different lengths.

$9.50 for Coats formerly $18.00. Black and tan in kersey, Montagnac, cheviot and other cloths—these are really styles a full season in advance. All sizes.

$11.75 for Coats formerly $20.00. Large table piled high with some of the best models shown in the past four weeks. They were considered fine values then for $20.00.

$13.50 for Coats formerly $22.00. Fully 100 very smart coats in black and colors, fitted and in automobile styles. All made within the past month and embracing the season's most admired models.

$15.00 Coats, heretofore $25.00.
$17.75 Coats, heretofore $30.00.
$19.00 Coats, heretofore $32.00.
$25.00 Coats, heretofore $40.00.
$28.00 Coats, heretofore $45.00.
$30.00 Coats, heretofore $50.00.

At these prices are hundreds of fine Street Coats and Wraps in broadcloth, kersey, mixtures, velvets, coverts, etc., every model from Short coat and Blouse to full length, in fawns, tans, grays, blues, blacks, greens, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 bust, 45-inch lengths.

Dressy Coats, Evening and Party Wraps, in many delicate colors and in every sort of trimming from fur to lace that is used, for the most remarkable price-concessions women ever undertook to discuss. Every evening wrap in our large collection has been effectively reduced in price.

Walking and Dress Skirts.

Only two numbers are given as pointing out the severe reductions given the prices of separate skirts.

$4.00 for $7.50 Walking Skirts—of fine mixtures, beautifully made and finished with bands and small gores, only 50 of them.

$5.00 for $10.00 Dress Skirts—black and navy Venetian, trimmed with narrow bands of silk—well tailored—about 60 of them.

Beautiful Lace Robes, ¼ and ⅓ Off.

The reduced prices are expressed in the lowest price and the highest price—in between there are a number of different prices subject to same reduction.

Robes of ecru net, were $15.00 to $35.00, tomorrow $7.50 to $17.50.

Robes of white net, were $15.00 to $35.00, tomorrow $7.50 to $17.50.

Robes of cream imitation Alencon lace, were $20.00 to $75.00, tomorrow $10.00 to $37.50.

Black Spangled Robes, one-fourth off former prices, which were $25.00 and up to $125.00.

Black Taffeta Robes, half prices, were $45.00 to $75.00. Tomorrow $22.50 to $37.50.

All These for 25c Each.

Clearance prices are prevalent throughout the Art Needlework department as you'll see at a glance, but we'll confine ourselves to a brief mention of three articles, namely—

Tinted Pillow Tops, with back, in various designs, ready to be embroidered, were 50c and 60c, tomorrow 25c each.

Sewing Bags, ready for the embroiderer, like was the original price, tomorrow 25c.

Pleated Laundry Bags, striped, 25c.

1903 Embroideries, Half Prices.

Goodby to 1903 embroideries—that is why for half prices comes now you can choose Nainsook, Cambric and Swiss Edgings, Insertings and Flouncings.

Entirely too lengthy a range of prices to give quotations. All embroideries out on special table tomorrow.

Bureau and Dresser Scarfs, ½ and ⅓ Off.

All our fancy Dresser Scarfs, trimmed in various pretty ways with lace and ribbon, tomorrow half off.

All our embroidered Linen Sets and Bets, tomorrow one-third off.

Umbrellas for Men and Women.

Clearance reductions in this mean half of original prices. 26-inch umbrellas, covered with fine taffeta. Handles of natural silver or gold trimmed, silver trimmed and staghorn, $1.50, were $3.

The women are here shown what this special sale is large enough for. Umbrellas, showing a variety of fancy trimmed handles and natural wood handles. The former price was $2.50, sale price $1.50 each.

Clearance Prices on Art Pottery, Bric-a-Brac, Bronzes, China and Cut Glass.

In no section of this big store will clearance prices operate with such striking significance as in this immense department of the third floor, East Store.

Vases of Different Wares.

Japanese pottery Vases at $1.50 from $2.00; at $2.25 from $4.50; at $3.00 from $6.00; at $4.50 from $9.00, and up to the finest $75.00 Vases for $37.50.

Lot of dark colored Vases, known as Oriental ware, at 50c for those that sold for $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00, and $1.00 each for those that sold for $2.50 and $3.00.

One lot of Japanese Bronze Vases for One-Third Off.

One lot of Pottery Vases, known as French Faience, One-Third Off.

One lot of fine Pottery Vases from Carlsbad, Cobalt blue, rich coin gold and floral decoration, former prices $2.00 to $18.00, tomorrow, One-Third off those prices.

Busts and Figures.

One lot of terra cotta Busts and Figures, 22 inches high, new models from Berlin, reduced from $15.00 to $7.50 each.

One lot of marble Figures and Busts, resembling old ivory, One-Half off.

One lot of Busts and Figures in the new manufactured marble, imported from Berlin, One-Half off.

Electroliers.

One lot of Electroliers in bronze and in pottery, somewhat scuffed at One-Half former prices.

One pair Bronze Candelabra, Egyptian finish, reduced from $100.00 to $50.00.

One pair real Vienna Bronze Candelabra, reduced from $100.00 to $60.00.

Other large sized pieces of bronze at $15.00 from $30.00, at $42.50 from $85.00, at $55.00 from $110.00, at $57.50 from $115.00, at $62.50 from $125.00.

More English Porcelain.

This is an English Dinnerware in the noted Canton "Constance" pattern, neat, delicate blue, and the reduced prices are as follows:

$2.75 a dozen Dinner Plates, $1.75 doz.
$2.50 a dozen Breakfast Plates, $1.50 doz.
$2.00 a dozen Tea Plates, $1.25 doz.
$1.75 a dozen Pie Plates, $1.00 doz.
$2.75 a dozen Tea Cups and Saucers, $1.75 doz.
75c open Individual Butters, 50c each.
50c open Dishes, 25c each.
80c open Dishes, 40c each.
65c Steak Dishes, 40c each.
$1.00 Steak Dishes, 60c each.
$1.65 Steak Dishes, $1.00 each.
$1.75 Covered Dishes, $1.00 each.
35c Jugs and Creamers, 25c each.
45c Jugs and Creamers, 30c each.
90c Jugs and Creamers, 60c each.

Japanese Oat Meal Bowls.

At 5c each tomorrow we will offer 3,000 Japanese China Oatmeal Bowls, delicate blue decorations, all made with this edge. Regularly they are 15c.

Wall Blue Dinner Ware,

an English production having beaded edge, will be closed out at the following reductions:

$4.50 Steak Dishes, 20 inches, for $1.25.
$2.50 Steak Dishes, 18 inches, for $1.00.
$3.00 Fish Platters for 75c.
$1.75 Covered Dishes for 75c.
90c Butter Dishes for 35c.
$2.50 Soup Tureens for $1.00.
30c Pickle Dishes for 15c.
35c open Vegetable Dishes for 15c.
50c open Vegetable Dishes for 20c.
$3.50 a dozen Dinner Plates for $1.25.
$3.00 a dozen Breakfast Plates for $1.10.
$2.50 Tea Plates for 90c.
$2.00 a dozen Pie Plates for 80c.
$1.40 Bread and Butter Plates for 75c.

English Porcelain Dinner Ware, Half of Half Prices.

In other words, you get this fine English Porcelain Dinner ware from the famous Cauldon pottery for one-fourth of former prices, or to make it plain, three-fourths less former prices. A short time back we reduced the regular prices to half, and now we give those half prices another clip of a half.

$1.75 Open Dishes reduced to 90c, now 45c.
$2.00 Open Dishes reduced to $1.00, now 50c.
$2.00 Sauce Boats reduced to $1.00, now 50c.
$2.25 Steak Dishes reduced to $1.15, now 60c.
$3.00 Butter Dishes reduced to $1.50, now 75c.
$3.00 Steak Dishes reduced to $1.50, now 75c.
$4.00 Steak Dishes, reduced to $2.00, now $1.00.
$5.00 Steak Dishes reduced to $2.50, now $1.25.
$6.00 Covered Dishes reduced to $3.00, now $1.50.
$6.50 Steak Dishes reduced to $3.25, now $1.65.
$8.00 Soup Tureens reduced to $4.50, now $2.25.

Cut Glass.

Tomorrow we will sell one lot of finest American cut glass, a variety of pieces, for One-Fourth off former prices.

Japanese Salts and Peppers.

At 8c each tomorrow we will offer 1,000 of these Japanese China Salts and Peppers. Regularly they are 25c.

Japanese Tea Pots.

At 25c each, instead of 35c, tomorrow we will offer 200 blue Japanese China Tea Pots.

50,000 Yards of Choice Foreign and American Dress Goods for Clearance.

Plain weaves of every description in black and colors and mill ited selection of fancy mixed Tweeds and Zibelines. And there also be a clearance of Paris and London novelties, representing latest weaves from abroad. Of these foreign novelties there will

$1.50 Novelty Dress Goods for 75c a yard.

$2.00 Novelty Dress Goods for $1.00 a yard.

$2.50 Novelty Dress Goods for $1.25 a yard.

$3.00, $3.50 and $4.00 Novelties for $1.50 a yard.

And on the Fancy Suitings and Tweed Mixtures the reduced prices will be as follows:

$1.00 Suitings and Mixtures, 75c a yard.

$1.25 Suitings and Mixtures, 85c a yard.

$1.50 Suitings and Mixtures, $1.00 a yard.

And there will be several styles in a variety of weaves and colorings, both plain and mixed Suitings, formerly selling for 65c and up to $1.00 a yard, that will be sold tomorrow for 35c, 45c and 50c a yard.

And one of the most popular table sales will be 1,500 yards of 5 and 54-inch $1.00 and $1.25 Fancy Tweed, Mixed Covert and Cheviot for the popular price of 65c a yard.

Clearing Black Dress Goods.

Tomorrow we start to clear thousands of dollars' worth of Dress Goods, in most cases choice by the yard, in other cases of lengths containing enough for dress or skirt, and all to be at marked reductions. In the collection are:

Black Cheviot, medium weight, 75c a yard, was $1.00.

Silk Warp Eolienne, 85c a yard, was $1.25.

Black Zibeline, 56 inches wide, $1.00 a yard, was $1.50.

Black French Canvas, open mesh, $1.00 a yard, was $1.50.

Unfinished Worsted, 56 inches wide, medium weight, $1.25 a yard, was $1.75.

Clearance of Wool Waistings.

Tomorrow at 25c a yard we will offer 50c, 60c and 65c grades of all-wool Waistings.

Tomorrow at 10c a yard we will offer 50c grades of cotton Waistings, plain colors.

Shirting Madras.

Tomorrow at 35c a yard we will offer a 50c grade of excellent shirting madras.

Clearing the Challis.

Tomorrow at 25c a yard we will offer a 40c grade of satin Challis.

Dress Trimmings.

Throughout our various departments the opportunity of money saving is nowhere greater than on the Dress Trimmings. To dressmakers especially this clearance is an event of utmost importance. Some of the prices one-half, others one-quarter and some even lower than this.

Fine Appliques, Fancy Colored Trimmings, Black Appliques and Spangled Trimmings—were $1.00, $2.00, $3.50 and $4.00; now 50c, $1.00, $1.75 and $2.00 per yard, respectively.

Silk Braid, black, white and black and white, ½, ⅝ and 1 inch widths—were 10c, 15c and 20c a yard; now all at the one price of 5c a yard.

Black Jet Grape Ornaments, were 15c, 20c, 25c and 50c each; now 8c, 10c, 20c and 30c, respectively.

Drop Ornaments—colored and white—were 15c, 20c, 25c and 35c each; now all at the one price of 10c each.

Heavy Button Medallions, black silk with jet beads and white silk with jet beads—were 25c and 40c each; now 5c and 10c each.

Elastic Belting—a lot of 1¾-yard lengths—were 50c and 25c each, now 10c for the piece.

Fancy and Black Appliqué and Persian Bands, a lot of ends at less than half price.

Laces—Clearance Reductions.

Some of the reduced prices border on the ridiculous. You will note them.

Half of former prices for Venise Laces—white and ecru—narrow edges and insertions, wide and narrow galloons. Van Dyke edges, bands and all-overs.

Worsted Lace—navy, brown, red, tan—was 25c a yard, tomorrow 5c a yard.

Black Lace Nets, plain and figured, were $1.00 to $3.00 a yard, tomorrow 50c to $1.50 a yard.

Black Venise Laces, galloons and bands, half prices.

Black Chantilly Laces — insertions, edges, galloons—half prices.

Normandy Val Laces—2 to 6-inch widths, tomorrow half of former prices.

English Torchon Laces—was 3c to 10c a yard, tomorrow 2c a yard.

Furniture—Clearance Reductions.

Our furniture is the finest made; that is to say, whatever is offered is the finest of its grade, and the reductions vary, beginning at 15 per cent and getting down in some cases to 50 per cent.

At $10.00, were $12.50, Folding Tables, gilt decoration.

At $10.00, were $20.00, Antwerp Oak Table Desks, Mission style, top covered with red leather.

At $14.00, were $18.00, Inlaid Mahogany Parlor Tables.

At $85.00, were $37.50, Desk Chairs of inlaid mahogany.

At $30.00, were $50.00, Mahogany Somanoes or night tables.

At $55.00, was $110.00, three-piece Mahogany Parlor Suite, carving slightly damaged, shown in the muslin. Many different upholstering stuffs from which to choose coverings for this suite.

At $12.00, were $17.00, Mahogany Desks, upright effects, basket below for waste paper.

At $70.00, was $80.00, a Mahogany Colonial Chiffonier, having beveled mirror and glass knobs.

At $75.00, was $110.00, a Davenport with carved mahogany frame, upholstered in denim.

At $73.00, was $103.00, Mahogany Sofa in Empire style, shown in muslin.

At $100.00, was $146.00, Three-Piece Parlor Suite of inlaid mahogany, Sheraton style.

At $200.00, was $1,057.50, Bedroom Suite of Pollard oak, bedstead, bureau, chiffonier, toilet table, somnane and cheval.

The foregoing is but a brief mention of our large variety of furniture now offered at greatly lowered prices, and we desire to say that prospective customers will find furniture here for every room in the house.

Ribbons Down to Clearance Prices.

Plenty of uses for ribbon every day in the year. If you don't care to use it today, why, these prices here offered are sufficiently low to warrant your putting it by for some future occasion:

4 1-2 and 5-inch Fancy Ribbon, 40c quality, 12 1-2c a yard.

5-inch Plain Satin Taffeta, 45c quality, 25c a yard.

4 1-2-inch Fancy Striped Ribbon, 30c quality, 15c a yard.

Pillow Ribbon, 4 1-2-inch, 30c quality, 15c a yard.

5 and 5 1-2-inch Fancy Ribbon, 50c quality, 25c a yard.

Plaid Ribbon, 6 and 6 1-2 inches, $1.00 quality, 50c a yard.

6 1-2-inch Fancy Warp Print Ribbons $1.00 quality, 50c a yard.

6 1-2-inch plain taffeta, 25c quality, 12 1-2c.

There are a great number of departments whose goods have no mention in this news of today. In each of the unmentioned departments prices have been lowered on the same substantial lines as those mentioned above.

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Friday, January 1, 1904.

President Callery of the light company as given notice that street lights will be rnished temporarily without a contract, t that this condition of things cannot go definitely. This passes the matter up councils, select council in particular. body has been meeting at such widely intervals and transacting no that its calendar is far in arrears. ght contract has passed common and is an urgent call for select to get to business.

With the names of 30 clergymen in the ty wheel, in addition to many leading siness men, there should begin to be ome improvement in that branch of local risprudence. The judges have been giv- the matter considerable attention dur- late years, being moved to action by ominous failures of justice that came r their observation. There has been o improvement, and there is room for m. Jury service is a disagreeable duty citizenship to men of affairs, but it is a ty one.

Consul General Skinner has departed m the realm of Emperor Menelik, but not hout accomplishing his mission. It is orted that he brings with him a com- rcial treaty between the United States d the empire of Ethiopia, opening the tter country to American trade. He has n addition the promise of Menelik to par- ticipate in the St. Louis exposition this ar and is carrying valuable gifts and ders for the president of the United tates. Consul Skinner is apparently a plomat of some skill and attainments.

A statement of British revenues for a part the fiscal year shows marked losses as mpared with last year. These were ex- ed in customs as a result of the aboli- of duties on flour, etc., and a shrinkage the receipts from incomes and the like ected by reason of reduction in the but there has been a decrease all along the line and the exchequer ffer for lack of the customs. This is obably a fortunate turn for Mr. Chamber- n. The people will discover little saving om the abolition of the flour tax, though here is a deficiency in revenues, and the tariff sentiment is pretty sure to grow.

The hold-up of filtration is causing en- largement of the water supply service to move on the basis that the practice of pump- ing polluted river water into the mains is to be permanent. The estimates for next ear include an item of $35,000 for an in- ake crib which Director Bigelow admits would be unnecessary if filtration is adopt- d. It may be added that delay in installing he meter system will inevitably cause large utlays for extension of the pumping plant. atters relating to the health of the people nd to economy of public service do not ppear to interest city councils sufficiently o secure attention.

Allegheny county's record of coroner's ases for 1903 shows an increase of 141 ver the year preceding. The grand total ncludes 2,297 for the year, murder and sui- ide furnishing a large quota. There were 3 murders and 43 suicides by shooting, an ld coincidence. The large number "found owned" indicates additions to both the urder and suicide lists. As usual the rail- oads are credited with many victims, the otal being 459, a vast majority killed while alking on the tracks, where they had no usiness. Death is a busy reaper, and it is he common end of man, but the coroner's nual report from year to year indicates n undue number of unnatural deaths. It s a gruesome record of crime and careless- ess.

In another column is a letter from a cor- espondent who has had personal experi- ence with heavy electric shocks and who deprecates electrocution in his opinion his method of inflicting the death penalty must be painful and anything but humane. t is probable that hanging is really as hu- mane a means of causing death as could be evised, except in cases where the drop ails of its purpose and the victim merely angles to death. The guillotine was fearful to the victims but frightful to be- holders. Asphyxiation in a chamber in se- ret has been advocated, and where hang- ng is not approved that appears to be a good substitute. It is asserted to be pain- less, if the proper gases are employed, and it would surely not afford horrid spectacles such as have been furnished by hanging and electrocution.

Foul murder has been perpetrated again in this city for the purpose of robbery. The boldness of the crime equaled its brutality and is only paralleled by the similar crime in the East End district a short time ago. It is almost incredible that a merchant can be murdered in his store on a city street and the criminals escape without molestation, but such is the fact. The very unrea- son of the act appears to have made it successful. But the duty is heavy upon the police and detective forces to search out, arrest and convict the men who com- mitted this awful crime, especially as it is the second of its kind. The murderers were black, but they may have been colored for their nefarious purpose only, since that is a convenient disguise, easy to get rid of, and this fact should be taken into account if suspicious negro characters are not speedily found.

Lessons of the Calamity.

The irony of fate was never more terri- bly exhibited than in the fact that the most horrible calamity through fire that ever oc- curred took place during the first dramatic engagement played in a new theater whose construction was planned to be fire proof, and to afford the greatest possible protec- tion to the safety of audiences. This is a startling feature of the case, which directs attention to the technical problem involved in the construction of buildings designed for the accommodation of large assem- blages.

There are certain limitations imposed by the nature of the problem and which should be recognized and provided for so far as possible. So far as the use of fire proof material in the construction of the building is concerned it is evident that that alone will not ensure safety and should not be depended upon. A stove is fire proof, but combustible material placed in it burns fiercely. A theater is a good deal like a stove in typical plan, as it is a walled in- closure of a large central space. The walls may be perfectly fire proof and yet stage appurtenances introduce combustible ma- terial which if it takes fire burns like the fuel in a stove. To guard against this risk some shaft or flue should be provided which would perform the office of a chimney and carry the flames up away from the audi- torium. A fire proof curtain should be pro- vided to shut the stage off from the audi- torium, and it should be kept in good work- ing order. Without such appliances a fire starting anywhere tends to rush into the auditorium, because the necessary arrange- ments for its ventilation create a central draft which draws the flames and feeds their energies. The Iroquois theater had such a curtain, but it was not in working order and could not be lowered when needed.

The reports indicate that the greatest number of deaths occurred from the chok- ing of the exits in the rush to escape. Abso- lute security against risk of this character seems impossible. The greatest calamity on record occurring from panic took place not in any building or inclosure at all, but upon an open plain. During the ceremonies attending the coronation of the czar in 1896 a great feast for the people was spread in the fields near Moscow. Just how the panic started was never known, but the vast crowd began to surge violently and a crush occurred in which 1,386 persons were trampled to death and 43 more died subse- quently from injuries, making 1,429 in all. The crowd is estimated to have numbered half a million persons, so that the death loss was only about 3 per cent, as against over 25 per cent in the Chicago calamity, but the case shows that mere aggregation of people entails risks apart from any question of exit. Instantaneous discharge of any audience is, of course, impossible, and dan- gerous crushes in case of a panic cannot be absolutely obviated by any method of con- struction. This fact, too, should be recog- nized and made the subject of special pre- cautions. It is not enough that there should be exits, but they should be so arranged that they can not be choked, but will main- tain a continuous flow under all circum- stances. Exits converging upon one portal will not do this. Every floor of an audi- torium ought to be provided with its own discharge into the street. All these re- quirements are made by the laws of Penn- sylvania, which are very minute in their provision for the safety of audiences.

Even if every possible precaution had been taken in the Iroquois theater, a fire which broke out so suddenly and spread so rapidly at a time when the auditorium was packed with women and children would have likely been attended with loss of life, but had the fire proof curtain been in work- ing order, and the fire exits been open, the calamity could not have reached such hor- rible magnitude. The lesson which it teaches is that the keeping of safety appli- ances in instantaneous readiness for use is more important than fire proof construction. The laws of Pennsylvania are commendably strict in such matters. The fire proof cur- tain must be put in actual use at every per- formance and all doors of exit must be kept unfastened during every performance. It is due to Pittsburgh theatrical management to say that fire drill is carried on with regu- larity and the city fire department co- operates by keeping men on duty at the theaters during performances. The occur- rences of such a calamity as that at Chicago is hardly within the range of possibility under conditions such as exist here. When the causes of that calamity are sifted to the bottom they will probably be found to have been undue reliance upon fire proof construction and failure to give the usual attention to the condition of safety ap- pliances in the rush of business at a new theater.

Our Prospering Cousins.

Canadian papers ought to be gratified with the general recognition of progress north of the international boundary, and the Toronto Globe is one, at least, that ex- presses its appreciation. But, unfortunate- ly, it is also led to a wrong conclusion. The Globe quotes two trade periodicals, but it might also find much of a similar char- acter in journals that are published at least once a day. It quotes the Farm Imple- ment News for a declaration that no coun- try is now making greater progress toward wealth and commercial importance than Canada, that Canadian resources are im- mense and rapidly becoming developed, that extensive mineral regions are being profit- ably exploited, and "vast fields of rich agri- cultural lands are fast being settled upon and brought under cultivation by practical and intelligent farmers, largely emigrants from the United States," and that "no peo- ple have been more ready to avail them- selves of the advantages of new methods and improved machinery than the Cana- dians, for no people are more intelligent and progressive." According to population Canada is declared to be the best foreign market for American agricultural imple- ments, sales to Canada being large and steadily increasing, in spite of the Cana- dian tariff and preferential duties for British products. The American Exporter is the other journal quoted, and it gives the Globe great pleasure by expressing itself in the same strain as the Farm Implement News. It dwells on the general prosperity of the dominion and speaks of its inhabit- ants as "a progressive, ambitious race."

At the end of these quotations, and as- sociated with expressions of gratified pride, the Globe says for itself: "Our cousins see that others can prosper without them." But the testimony on which this opinion is based hardly justifies our Canadian contemporary in declaring it. For instance, would Can- adians like to get along without those "prac- tical and intelligent farmers, largely emi- grants from the United States," thousands of whom are settling upon and developing with their own capital those "vast fields of rich agricultural lands?" The proper an- swer to this question ought to suggest a train of thought to journalists and others in Canada. American capital is developing more than farm lands in Canada. It is not all Canadian capital and British capital that is helping along Canadian prosperity. We doubt whether Canadians have made any- thing approaching a discovery that they can get along without their cousins. The fact that they buy so much from us proves how necessary we are to them. But the cousins are glad they are prospering.

Happy New Year.

To each and every reader of The Gazette in particular and to the public in general we wish a happy New Year.

We hope this year will be better than last and last year was by no means a bad one. It entered on the scene of greatest prosperity and largest material achievement in the history of the country. True, the later months comprised a period of very severe liquidation, affecting every citizen more or less, but there was no general stoppage of industry or business such as characterized panic years in the past. The total of domes- tic production and consumption will not fall much, if any, below the best years in our history, while the movement of export trade was larger than for 1902 and close to the high record.

In art and in literature the past year has made a good record, though a longer per- spective will be necessary to an accurate estimate of its value. The output of books was enormous and among them were many that are really good. Education made ad- vances, and educational institutions were additionally endowed in a manner to pro- duce good fruit in the future. The sum of human knowledge was increased almost as largely as the sum of human achievements, or possessions. There was a dark page of disasters, especially toward the close of the year, but none equal to St. Pierre the year before, and no great war marked its page in history. All in all, 1903 was not the worst of years, not by a considerable mar- gin.

We hope this year will be better. There is a prospect that it may witness the recov- ery of prosperity. It may easily have fewer disasters or epidemics. It may witness greater achievements. Much will depend upon the spirit in which the daily routine is begun and the vigor with which it is sus- tained. It is persistent effort that counts. Accidents may happen, but their total re- sults are insignificant compared with those of regular, sustained exertion. Happiness is more a matter of the cultivated disposi- tion than of chance.

To all we wish a happy New Year, and will try to help make it so.

Popular lack of interest in the circumstance that this is leap year will make people jump at the conclusion that its peculiar privileges for the gentler sex have been put out of business by the arrival of the new woman.

The notable improvement in the tone of the Post's editorials on the relations of the United States with Colombia is due to the fact that the wild man of Borneo is now writing them.

If anyone needs proof that the extension of Russian dominion will turn back the hands on the dial of civilization, let him consider that it continues to be 1903 in the czar's dominions.

The report that counterfeit one dollar bills are afloat appeals to a larger circle of readers than news of the circulation of bogus $100 bank notes.

Timothy O'Leary has the mercantile apprais- ership under that silk hat that everybody has heard of, if not seen.

1904 takes the weather as it finds it on its arrival, and it will be just as well for people to do the same.

Re-routing the West End cars relieves the strain on the Point bridge and on the minds of the people.

The weather man feels encouraged by the success of his snow predictions to continue them.

Pittsburgh begins another year with filtered water a dream and typhoid fever a stern reality.

With ice two feet thick in the river, it really looks as if the ice man might cut some.

The man with the New Year's swear-off now begins to acquire a strange thirst.

The new leaf is turned. But then there are others.

IT IS TO SMILE.

"Two men held me up coming home, my dear," ventured the tardy husband.

"So you admit you had to be carried, do you, you brute?" returned the irate wife.—Princeton Tiger.

Grisly George—I wasn't always like dis, mum. One time I used to take my meals in a chop house.

The Lady—Well, I reckon a chop house is a woodshed. You can take your dinner in mine if you'll cut some wood first.—Philadelphia Record.

The Quiet Observer

ERASMUS WILSON.

Say good-by or howdy-do—
What's the odds twixt the two?
Comin'—goin'—every day—
Best first to go away—
Grasp of hands you'd rather hold
Than their weight in solid gold,
Slips their grip while greeting you—
Say good-by or howdy-do?
—James Whitcomb Riley.

Good-by to the old!
Howdy-do to the new!

Now we are off altogether for another year's cruise on the sea of life, but never again to return to the port of today.

Well, what is the difference, since we are to adventure together? Besides, we are not so enamored of the port of today that we would rather stay and live over and over hourly and daily its scenes.

Give us something new, even if it tries our souls a bit, for we want to know something of our own metal, as well as that of our fellows, for we are most sure to find trials in the way, and we would know something of our chances before hand.

The port of today is good enough for a day, but not for time. And yet, we do not want to forget it; nor can we do so if we would, for many of the scenes peculiar to it impress some of us so deeply that eternity will hardly be long enough to wear away the memory of them, most of which are pleasant and cheerful, but not all.

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Tomorrow is the port to which we sail; and while it seems but a day's journey its end is not reached until we have passed the wondrous portal separating time from eternity.

To some it is, and to all it may be, a bright, promising, desirable port. But some there are who dread it as much as they dislike today.

For these there is no open port; and to play pirate on the high seas of life is most dan- gerous—fatally dangerous.

Better then to set out bravely and cheerfully for the port of tomorrow, fully resolved to stand to our posts through storm and battle, peace and calm alike, knowing and realizing that the best of ships must founder if not well manned.

Be men, therefore, with hearts for any fate and hands for any duty, and the journey will not only be pleasant but profitable.

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Howdy-do, and then, good-by—
Mixes just like laugh and cry;
Deaths and births, and worst and best,
Tangled their contrariest;
Ev'ry jinglin' weddin' bell
Skorin' up some funer'l knell—
Here's my song, and there's your sigh—
Howdy-do, and then, good-by!
—Riley.

We have been jogging along right merrily for nearly a year of days, and during our brief sojourn in the port of today we have sent each other hearty, cheery hails. And now, as we embark for the port of tomorrow, we sing out in clearest note, "Bon voyage!"—safe and pleasant journey, and a crown at the end.

True, we may have said things that riled each other's feelings a bit, or caused some to think the fools not all dead, or, maybe, led us to act hatefully.

But we will leave all these here at the port of today, for they will not be allowed to enter the port to which we sail. They belong only on pirate craft and derelict. Besides, they are hoodoos, sure to bring ill luck. Many a trim craft has been carried into most dismal straits and dangerous channels by these subtle enemies of life, and of soul.

Leave them with today.

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Today has troubles of its own—troubles a plenty, and to spare.

Tomorrow has none, nor does it have to have any. It is bright and clear to our vision, save for one occasional cloud sent adrift from today—only a cloud that quickly melts in warmer climes and is soon dispelled by gentler breezes.

Memory—the wireless, limitless, tireless—may refuse to sever all connection with today, but it brings no new burdens, carries no new messages—only repeats the old, repeating again and again until with soft repetition they are worn into threds to be cast into forgetfulness.

The port of today is particularly sad as the old year closes, and burdenous, indeed, are many of the memories with which we set out on our new voyage; but all are not so, for there are some, and many, too, so lightsome and heart- some that they will make the burdensomeness of the others trivial as compared with their present weight.

Let us, therefore, hail each other cheerily, not neglecting to lend a hand, or to give a lift when by so doing we can lighten a step or dry a tear.

A drouthy darkness has settled over and around Chicago, sending its somber streamers flying here and yonder, into city and town, hamlet and home, but they fly through a bright, clear, chaste atmosphere, and will soon, very soon, disappear for good and all.

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Say good-by, or howdy-do—
Just the same to me and you;
'Taint worth while to make a fuss,
'Cause the job's put up on us!
Some One's runnin' this concern
That's got nothin' else to learn:
If He's willin,' we'll pull through—
Say good-by, or howdy-do!
—Riley.

Howdy-do, let it be rather than good-by, at least for a time—the longer the better. The good and the pleasure in being acquainted with each other is too great to be parted with lightly or indifferently. And seeing there is a possibil- ity of us voyaging together for a good while, we will not hasten to say good-by—we will not say it until the parting comes. And even then it will not be a sad wail, but a cheery benedic- tion as we enter the bright and soulful tomor- row.

What a good world, what a happy world, this would be were all to feel thus towards each other.

And may it not be our mission in life, in part at least—yours and mine—to show to the world that it may be done, and at no greater cost than living as we do?

A most laudable mission, truly, and most de- lightful. Therefore, it would be well for us to make sure of our calling by proving our fitness.

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Bon voyage to the brighter tomorrow!

Listen for the wireless hail—signature, Q. O. Hark to it, and heed it.

Nor forget you that it is genuine politeness and ever in order to hail back again, by the wireless way, or otherwise.

Your servant waits to serve you, to bear your armor, to whet your sword, to bind your wounds, to guide your steps—to do whatsoever a faithful, bounden servant ought to do.

And now, as the midnight bells ring out the old we say good-by, and as in cheerier tones they ring in the new, we greet you all with a hearty, "Howdy-do."

Electrocution Is Painful.

To the Editor of The Gazette:

Sir—I have just read your article regarding electrocution. I think that your point that the humanity of "electrocution" is doubtful, the word doubtful is not strong enough.

The writer followed the occupation of elec- trician for a number of years, and during that time received by accident a number of electric shocks, some of them of as much as 1,060 volts, alternating current, and has been "frozen" on the wires by reason of the current making him help- less until it was shut off by brother workmen, and is, therefore, in position to state that elec- tric shocks are, and electrocution in his opin- ion must be, painful.

Any one who has had practical experience or even observed a person while such person was heavily charged with electricity will never honestly advocate electrocution as a humane method of execution of criminals.

M. R. HENDERSON.

Franklin, Pa., Dec. 30.

Tendency to Religious Unity.

Among the most pronounced tendencies of modern religious life is that in favor of church unity. Two of the great Protestant denomina- tions of Canada are considering consolidation. Four separate religious bodies in the United States have already nearly completed a plan by which they are to unite in every practical sense. Possibly the day is not so far off as many im- agine when the numerous religious bodies of Christendom will be reduced to few by such successive steps as fraternization, confederation and fusion. A good part of American Christ- dandity has already reached the second step—confederation. What may come in the future as a result of a general awakening of religious interests, a widespread revival of charity, no one can accurately foresee.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Talked of in New York

GEORGE C. JENKS.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—New York this even- ing is pretty well inclined to believe the asser- tion of managers that such a disaster as that in Chicago could not happen here. Precautions against fire in theaters are conceded to be ad- mirable in this city. The building laws, too, are so stringent that, if observed, they make it an easy thing for a large crowd to leave any theater in a few moments, even under stress of great excitement. These laws are practically the same as those in Pittsburgh. They provide for many exits, wide aisles, spacious lobbies, plenty of room outside all around, and doors that open outward. Besides, there are many other regulations all framed with the same intent—to make loss of life through fire or panic almost impossible. One of the important safeguards in all modern theaters is the as- bestos curtain. Managers say that the asbestos curtain in general use in New York does not work on ropes, like that at the Iroquois, but slides on a steel frame at either side, so that it cannot possibly blow out and become buckled, as did the Chicago curtain. Other points of superiority in theaters here over those of Chi- cago have been mentioned during the day, and that the public accepts them is shown by the fact that the attendance at theaters tonight is not much less than would have been expected if there had been no fire at the Iroquois. Of course, extra precautions are in operation at all the theaters in New York. In fact, the nervous playgoer can console himself with the positive knowledge that theaters never were safer than they will be for the rest of this season, when every manager will be on edge to guard against the slightest danger.

Engaged in Philanthropy.

Miss Sara Ormsby Eaton of Pittsburgh is in the city, visiting friends in the Central park district. Her main business here is the further- ance of a philanthropic project for the benefit of Pittsburgh, the particulars of which will be made public in due time. Miss Eaton is so well known for her energy in charitable work that it will be easily believed she is actively pushing the enterprise which has brought her to the metropolis at this time.

Railroads Are Threatened.

Railroad presidents do not like to admit that there is danger from wild western methods in the east. They get a shock now and then, however, as when unknown rascals fill or wound signal operators in lonely towers or let- ters threatening the dynamiting of trains are received at headquarters. This last named experience has been that of the New Haven & Hartford road. Several letters have been received in this city threatening to blow up a train unless $5,000 were thrown out in re- sponse to a blue light signal. Today all the bulletin boards of the company bore an order for engineers that they should stop at the first telegraph station after noticing a blue light and report to the main office. While there may not be any actual peril of dynamiting, the fact of such a bulletin being considered necessary lends a decided spice to railroad traveling just now.

Strife Stilled in Wall Street.

Nothing could show the power of the holiday spirit more than the sudden cessation of strife in Wall street today. There have been flurries every day for weeks, but the fact that tomor- row will be a holiday acted as a damper, and things were almost as peaceful as a summer evening in the country in the exchanges to- day. This is pleasant, of course, but there will be excitement enough to make up for it next week, unless all signs fail.

Big Day for Tammany.

Tammany men will try to sleep well tonight, for there is a big day ahead of them. The cere- monies incidental to the new mayor and other officials taking their places will demand the presence of all the faithful, and the braves are making up their minds to have a good time. It is said that a walk through the tunnel to New Jersey may be comprized in the observances. It would be an awful thing if some of the braves were stricken with the "heeds" before they had time to get their fingers into the dough boy. This consideration may keep many of them away, even if the trip is taken at all.

City Displaces Squatter.

The city has managed to get hold of a lump of that classic neighborhood on the East Side known as the "gas house district." It is along the East river, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, and came into being by the simple pro- cess of filling in the river at that point. A gas company did the work, erected a plant and en- joyed the full emolument from it until Dock Commissioner Hawkes got after it. He con- vinced the courts that the land belonged to the city, and now the gas company has been obliged to pay 5 per cent of its value yearly as the condition of its using the space at all. Friends of Hawkes are talking about his deal, and wondering why he was not reappointed. But none of them has the temerity to put the question to Mayor McClellan. The matter be- tween the gas people and the city seems to be largely a case of disputed squatter sovereignty.

Church Bells Chimed Opera Airs.

It is significant of popular taste in music that one of the airs said to have been chosen for the concert to be given by the chimes of Trinity tonight is from the comic opera the "Sultan of Sulu." Its title is "Since I First Met You." A selection from "Parsifal" has been asked for by many enthusiastic Wagnerians, but the bell operators are afraid their instrument would not be equal to the thunders of the Bayreuth masterpieces, and they will compromise on "Home, Sweet Home" and "Old Dog Tray."

Dinners for Two Mayors.

Mayor Low and Mayor McClellan will play against each other on Monday night. Each will be the guest of honor at a dinner, and each will be surrounded by his own followers. The dinner to Mr. Low will be to felicitate him on the splendid administration which closed to- night, and will be held at the University club, while that to Mayor McClellan will be at Sherrys, to speed him on his way. Both gath- erings will be pleasant in their way, but it is safe to say there will be more fun at Sherrys than at the University club, on the principle that the knight who is putting his armor on generally feels more hopeful about everything than he who is taking it off.

Angel of the Tombs.

When Mrs. Rebecca Salome Foster went again and again into the smoke and deadly perils of the Park Avenue hotel two years ago to save lives she did it without any thought save that she must do her full part in that dreadful hour. She had long before earned her title of the "Tombs Angel." When she lost her life, it was in accordance with the spirit which had caused her to devote herself to the succor of unfortu- nate women who had fallen from grace for the first time. Her administrations to first offenders at the gloomy old Tombs had rescued many a soul. She gave her life at last in the work of bringing to safety those who would never have got out of the fire but for her. With this in memory, it is certain there will be a large number of people to witness the unveil- ing at the City club tomorrow of the tablet bearing an allegorical bas-relief in her mem- ory. It shows an angel, its face being a por- trait of Mrs. Foster, with her arms around a girl outcast. Below is the legend, "On her lips was the law of kindness." The tablet will be affixed to the wall of the special sessions court room.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

Fifth Avenue.
E. M. Ross.
E. S. Irvin.

Grand Union.
J. D. Ewing.
Rev. M. Pierson.

Park Avenue.
R. D. Kuhn.
W. G. Price.

Continental.
M. E. Chubbuck.

Broadway Central.
A. L. Foreman.

Hoffman.
C. J. Clarkson.
Mrs. Clarkson.
A. G. Nesbit.

New Amsterdam.
F. B. Alcorn.
W. H. Nichols.

St. George.
F. Magnolo.
W. J. Rengel.
J. A. Landefeld.
Miss Landefeld.
J. P. Thomas.
Miss Thomas.

Holland.
James S. Martin.
A. Williams Thew.
George H. Wilson.

Manhattan.
George B. Dunbora.
F. M. Lemoine.
G. C. Smith.
C. Frank.

Navarre.
E. M. Allen.
Mrs. Allen.

Netherland.
Enoch Rauh.
R. H. Rauh.

Vendome.
C. Edwards.
Mrs. Edwards.

Bartholdi.
W. A. Speir.
Mrs. F. H. Mackey.
Miss Mackey.
J. A. Hall.

Cosmopolitan.
J. C. Allen.
Miss Allen.

Imperial.
W. H. Brugeman.

Chicago's Calamity.

The burning of the Iroquois theater in Chi- cago is a catastrophe which will touch the world's deepest sympathy. Every contrast that could heighten horror was present. It was holi- day week. The city was full of visitors from a distance. The theater was new and attractive, the play a fairy pantomime that surrounded all its auditors hundreds of children, whose de- light in the play was keen as their helplessness in danger was pitiable. Few men were present—though wealth indeed was the help that any man could render in the rush of flame that swept through the house as if it were one great cataract, so swiftly that women and children died as they sat, almost without moving, in their chairs. Not in the spirit of vengeance, but in sad determination that such a disaster must for the future be made impossible, there must be the most searching investigation of the causes of the deaths which may prevent its repetition. When these are found the whole country must heed the lesson.—New York World.

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Fear usually causes more destruction of life than fire in theater burnings, and some cool ones kept their seats resolutely with the panic raging around them. But in this case prudence and self-restraint did not save them. The escape of gas suffocated them, and they were found, as the report says, dead with their faces to the stage. Their end was better than the many poor creatures who were trampled upon and had their faces crushed out of recognizable shape. It is too early to fix the responsibility. The theater was a new one. It had an asbestos curtain, but in the critical moment it would not go down. The result shows that in spite of all the many precautions taken by the manage- ment, the theater was a death-trap, and con- tained in highly concentrated form the neces- sary conditions for slaughter of half of its audi- ence in an incredibly short time, and in a fashion as horrible as the imagination of man can conceive.—Philadelphia Press.

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It is appalling that such loss of life could occur in a new and modern theater. What might happen in one of the antiquated struc- tures that in various parts of the country are used as theaters? There will be no end of les- sons drawn from the calamity, and for a time there will doubtless be much inspecting and overhauling of these buildings until public mem- ory of yesterday's horror begins to grow dim—and that thing will go on as before. Theaters and all their stage equipment should be made not nominally but absolutely fire proof, and it is quite practicable to make them so. Put a crowd of persons in an open prairie and start a panic and they will trample one another to death. But by making it impossible to have a fire there can be no fire panic.—New York Herald.

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This horror should cause the thorough exami- nation of every theater in the country; the in- stallation of fire proof curtains, so that the stage can be separated from the audience; the provisions of sufficient exits upstairs as well as down; the absolute protection of elec- tric wires, and the provision of means for ex- tinguishing flames at the start. This is the most appalling calamity of the sort that has occurred for many years, and nothing like it ought ever to occur again.—Philadelphia Record.

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The sympathy of the whole country and of the whole civilized world will go out to Chicago in its terrible affliction. A great number of families there are bereaved of their fairest and dearest members under circumstances which beyond measure heighten the poignancy of their grief. Many of them cannot, perhaps, for days find the poor relics of their loved ones, and for hours cannot even be sure of their fate. It is not a disaster of the kind that gives opportu- nity for outside aid. No relief is possible. All that others can do is stand with bowed head in the presence of Chicago's sorrow and try for the future to learn the lesson of precau- tion against fires which is so terribly taught from time to time and seemingly never remem- bered.—New York Tribune.

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After a while, when the first shock of the catastrophe has passed, when the worst is known, and when all has been done that is humanly possible to mitigate the situation, it will be proper and necessary to investigate the circumstances under which these appalling hundreds were consigned to the fate that befell them, to inquire how it was that a building reputed to be fire proof went up in flames as though it had been a pile of kindling wood, and why so large a proportion of that doomed audi- ence were cut off from escape and confined like rats in a trap within the four walls of the burning building until destroyed by smoke or flame or by the crushing of the frenzied, panic- stricken crowd of which they formed a part.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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The intrusion of death in a place where per- sons are gathered for amusement is always shocking. When, however, as in this instance, hundreds of persons, including many children, are suddenly snatched from life amid most terrible conditions, the case becomes heartrend- ing beyond description. Our news columns give the details of the catastrophe with sufficient fullness to enable our readers to picture to themselves what occurred. It will enable them also in a measure to feel that the calamity, with its appalling loss of life, is not one which may be rightfully ascribed as the "act of God." A rigid official investigation will doubtless place the blame for the occurrence where it belongs. It seems almost incredible that, with the present knowledge of building, an absolutely new the- ater should have been the scene of such a dis- aster.—New York Times.

PERSONALS

Thomas J. Orr of 500 Mellon street, after 45 years' service in the William B. Scaife & Sons Company, retired yesterday. In honor of his long service he was given an affectionate fare- well at the general offices of the company in Oakmont, and carried away two handsome tokens of regard. The firm presented Mr. Orr with a silver loving cup, while his fellow em- ployes remembered him with a magnificent en- graved candelabra. Mr. Orr joined the firm in 1859, and for many years occupied the posi- tion of sales agent. For a time he represented the company at Marietta, O., and upon return- ing to Pittsburgh took his place as head book- keeper.

G. F. Richards, representing the Victor Fuel Company, left early this morning for Colorado. He had charge of 25 coal miners who go as strike breakers. Most of the men were secured at points along the Monongahela river. Mr. Richards refused to discuss the strike situation, in conversation with the man they say they are promised $4 a day and free transportation to Colorado.

George L. Peck, general manager of the Penn- sylvania lines, left last night for Toledo. He was accompanied by his family. They will spend a few days with friends.

P. G. Martin of McKeesport left last night for Dayton, where he will enter the Soldiers' home. He is a veteran of the civil war, and goes to the home to undergo an operation.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

The nearby residents registered at the local hotels last night were as follows:

Monongahela—C. L. Cline, Sistersville; S. G. Hapelton, Beaver; James Evans, Morgantown; M. L. Williams, Johnstown; F. H. Fletcher, Waterford.

Grtownship—John McEwen, Wheeling; J. M. Yaleh, Youngstown; J. C. Chilcen, Johnstown.

Colonial—A. V. Ranson, Cleveland; J. A. Mur- ray, Altoona; O. H. Brown, New Castle; D. H. Force, Wheeling.

Anderson—P. C. Helmit, Canton.

Duquesne—H. H. Temple, Connellsville; S. Ford, Uniontown; H. W. Sterry, Johnstown; E. Darsie, Washington.

Lincoln—S. C. Cole, Freeport; Frank St. Hubert, Fairmont.

Henry—George H. Harper, Altoona; E. Pitts, Butler; R. L. Crawford, Waynesburg; G. A. Yetrah, Niles; W. W. Jamison, Greensburg; C. S. Bryce, Mt. Pleasant.

Seventh Avenue—E. J. Grotzinger, St. Marys; John S. Sutter, Indiana; C. E. Dopard, Grove- ville; J. M. Graham, Brookville; T. W. Palm, Empire; H. Evans, DuBois.

Cuban Lottery Legislation.

President Palma recently declared that such legislation would be inimical to the best inter- ests of the Cuban people, but the lawmakers of the Cuban congress seem to think differ- ently, and will undoubtedly pass the measure. Friends of the new republic will regret that her officials are not satisfied to earn success on a worthy working basis, without resorting to such getrich-quick schemes as the lottery, which has been tabooed by all advanced na- tions.—Washington Post.

The Death Roll

Mrs. Maria Sill Foster.

Mrs. Maria Sill Foster died at the home of her son, J. S. Foster, Cathedral avenue, Crafton, yesterday morning. She was the daughter of Jesse Sill and was born near McKeesport in 1821. In 1849 she was married to Walter Foster with whom she lived at Hillsville, where Mr. Foster engaged in farming many years. Since his death, nine years ago, she lived with her son in Crafton. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church of Pittsburgh. She is sur- vived by five sons and three daughters—Lin- coln Foster, Hillsville; Dr. W. S. Foster, Pittsburgh; J. M. Foster, Chicago; J. E. Foster, Crafton; Mrs. M. H. Donaldson, Canonsburg; Mrs. Wesley Price, Canonsburg, and Miss Nellie Foster, Crafton. The funeral services will be held tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. at the home of J. S. Foster, Crafton.

Mrs. John B. McKelvey.

Mrs. Maude Ella McKelvey, 27 years old, wife of John B. McKelvey of Lang avenue, Mount Lind, Pittsburgh, died yesterday. Mrs. Mc- Kelvey was the daughter of F. N. Hamilton and was born in Fayette county, Pa. When she was a child she came with her parents to Pittsburgh. In 1896 she was married to Mr. McKelvey, who is the Pittsburgh representa- tive of the Chicago Hardware Company. She is survived by her parents, her husband and two children—Lydia B. and Cora Jane McKel- vey. She also leaves three sisters—Mrs. John H. Liddell of Greensburg, Pa., and Miss Annie McKelvey and Miss Mae McKelvey of Pitts- burgh.

Ex-Judge James B. Neale.

Ex-Judge James B. Neale died suddenly last evening in his home at the Reynolds hotel, Kittanning, Pa. He was at his office and at- tended to business yesterday. A few minutes before 5 o'clock last evening, while sitting in front of the fire in the room, he was seized with a coughing spell, went into a convulsion and died in a few minutes. He was a brother of Charles T. Neale, the well-known ir- onmanufacturer who died suddenly a year ago. The deceased was aged about 67 years. He was elected judge of Armstrong county in 1879 on the Republican ticket, and was succeeded by Judge Calvin Rayburn in 1890. Judge Neale was well known all over the state. He leaves a widow and no children.

John Newton White.

John Newton White, a trustee of Grove City college since that institution was founded, and a former well-known resident of New Castle, died very suddenly Wednesday night at Grove City. He was 83 years old and was prominent in Presbyterian church circles. For many years he was a ruling elder of that denomination. He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Mary Stevenson, and the following chil- dren: Mrs. Charles Bliss of Tarentum, George and Miss Sarah White of Grove City, and Arthur White, principal of the Rose Point High school. The deceased was a brother of Dr. Marin White, a widely-known medical mis- sionary of the United Presbyterian church, who is laboring in India.

Mrs. Josephine A. McEwen.

Mrs. Josephine A. McEwen, widow of Wil- liam B. McEwen, is dead of pneumonia at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George H. Kelso, 5629 Rural avenue. She was 67 years old, and the daughter of Conrad Uppercam and was born on the site of the Monongahela house, where her father had a hotel. Mrs. McEwen was a member of the Shady Avenue Baptist church. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Charles B. Smith—and a son—George F. McEwen.

John Hurrell.

John Hurrell, aged 80, a pioneer resident of McKeesport, is dead at the family home in Sum- mer street. Death was due to the

HARMONY PLAN IN THE ELEVENTH

Republicans and Citizens Agree to Go Into the Ward Primaries.

FOURTEENTH SUGGESTIONS

Eleventh ward Republicans and Citizens met in caucus last night and agreed to put an end to political warfare. It was decided that in the future that all differences would be settled in the Republican primaries.

The gathering last night indorsed as councilmanic candidates Arch Mackrell for select and Harry Lamb and Louis Scott for common councilmen. Lamb has been affiliated with the Citizens. The action does not mean that the primary doors will be closed to others with councilmanic aspirations. The regular Republican suggestion meeting will be held in the Moorhead school house tomorrow night and all persons desiring to go into the Republican primaries on January 9 can then announce their candidacy.

The promoters of this harmony arrangement insist that the scheme had its birth within the ward and is not a part of any general plan to bring about peace in the city. The matter has been under discussion for a couple of months. Both sides decided that it was useless to continue the fight and numerous conferences have been held in the hope that peace might be restored.

Both Sides Well Represented.

There were over 200 Republicans and Citizens at the harmony caucus in the Moorhead school. A. B. Scott, a Republican, was selected to preside and John Laing, a Citizen, was named for secretary. Among the Citizens leaders present were William J. Shore, Jr., and Councilman Harry Lamb.

Walter E. Billows, a Republican, made an eloquent appeal for harmony. In closing his speech, he moved that it was the sense of the meeting that war within the Republican party in the Eleventh ward should cease and that in the future all differences be settled in the party caucuses. This proposition was unanimously agreed to.

A discussion of nominations for councilmen followed. Arch Mackrell was the unanimous choice of the meeting for select councilman. For common these men were named: Harry Lamb, Louis Scott, Thomas D. Malone, Louis Good, Owen Jones and William Patton. The last two withdrew their names. The caucus then indorsed Mackrell, Lamb and Scott.

The regular Republican suggestion meeting will be held tomorrow night. Any additional suggestions can then be made. Select Councilman John H. Voskamp had hoped to secure a re-election, but there has been much criticism of his course in councils. He refused to go into the harmony arrangement, but attended the meeting last night. While he took no open part in the proceedings, he was busy reporting others to an endeavor to make trouble. He may be suggested at the meeting tomorrow night.

The Democratic ends of the Citizens party in the Eleventh ward yesterday filed a petition in court claiming the exclusive use of the party appellation.

Fourteenth Ward Republicans.

There was a big Republican suggestion meeting held in the Fourteenth ward headquarters in Atwood street last night. W. A. Magee presided over the gathering. There are four common councilmen to select in the ward and these suggestions were made:

The Rev. John H. Prugh, the Rev. Dr. W. J. Holland, W. A. Magee, E. E. Cotton, J. Charles Wilson, John M. Morrin, Dr. M. S. McKennan, Peter J. Grant, W. L. Jones, J. L. Perley, Peter J. Reidy, Howard Craig, William J. Smith, William J. Getty, W. D. King, A. J. Edwards and James McKnight. Some of the men suggested will not to into the primaries.

The suggestions for ward assessor were A. J. Farrell, G. Pohlman and Patrick Hilarides. William Hughes and John Auferheide were named for school directors. They are now in office.

Emmett Cotton offered a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of five to print the tickets and fill vacancies. The committee is authorized to omit the name of any suggested candidate making the request. On this committee Chairman Magee named E. E. Cotton, W. J. Ehken, James McKnight, Willam McAdams and James Daugherty.

Efforts were made to bind the Republican nominees to refuse the indorsements of other parties, if the indorsement did not include every man on the ticket. The proposition was turned down. Cotton and Magee made speeches in which they said that it would be unfair to a candidate to compel him to refuse support.

Capt. E. Y. Breck, chairman of the Fourteenth ward Citizens committee, has issued a call for a meeting at headquarters Monday night for the purpose of suggesting candidates. Nominations will be made a week later. From present appearances there will be three tickets in the field in the Fourteenth ward.

Dickson Announces Appointments.

Dr. J. W. Dickson, sheriff-elect, yesterday announced the following appointments: J. C. Brown, C. H. Phillips, Samuel Greret, William McKinley, Edward Swartwood, Lou White, Charles Butler, Edward C. Burke, Joseph T. Richey, James Haggerty, Samuel Moore, Joseph W. Hiker, J. P. Johnston, J. H. Ryan, John Gillespie, Walter Williams, S. H. Thompson, Thomas Pasco, H. A. Lowry, William Lenhart.

Among the deputies who will go out of the sheriff's office tomorrow is Wilson Gost, a German of McKeesport. He has served 22 years. For a long time he has assisted the various sheriffs at all of the executions.

The county commissioners yesterday elected Timothy O'Leary, the well-known Democratic politician, mercantile appraiser. Willie O'Leary has been active in politics for years, he has not been an office holder.

There are prospects of a fight in Allegheny among those who want to go to the legislature. John Bauers is determined to be a candidate for assemblyman in the First legislative district. He had a long conference with Representative Joseph Stewart yesterday afternoon, and, although neither will talk, it is understood that Bauers and Stewart are going to make a fight against John R. Murphy and George Schad, Jr., the candidates who were recommended Tuesday night by the Republican executive committee.

In the Second district Robert G. Cochrane says he will run and yesterday Frank Haller declared he would be Cochrane's running mate in a fight against John Francies and John H. Henderson.

OPTIC LOTION CAUSED DEATH.

Frank Sherer, Braddock Pioneer, Applied Too Many Drops to Eye.

A supposed mistake made by a Braddock drug clerk in the directions for an eye wash is thought to have caused the death of Frank Sherer, aged 78 years, of 307 Washington avenue, Braddock. Mr. Sherer, suffering with sharp pains in his eyes, Saturday last went to Dr. J. C. Behane of Braddock and secured a prescription. The directions, the doctor says, called for two drops of the liquid to be placed in the eye, but the drug clerk mixed it so that Sherer placed 10 drops of the stuff in his eye several times and became seriously ill. Dr. Behane was called and pronounced his ailment congestion of the brain. Sherer died at noon yesterday.

Mr. Sherer was born in Alsace Lorraine, France, November 25, 1826, and came to America when young. He was a charter member of St. Joseph's German Catholic congregation of Braddock and is survived by two sons, Charles and John, and three daughters, Mrs. Patrick Norton, Mrs. William Gost and Mrs. William Wels, all of Braddock.

Stores closed today.

A New Year's Greeting to all.

W. M. Laird Co.

THREE BANKS WILL START NEW YEAR IN ONE HOME

Iron City and Merchants and Manufacturers Transfer Headquarters.

With the opening for business tomorrow morning the Merchants & Manufacturers and the Iron City National banks will be located in the large home of the Bank of Pittsburgh, National association, Fourth ward, below Wood street. At the close of business yesterday the transfer was started.

This is in accordance with the merger of the two banks into the older and larger one, as provided in the recent increase of capital stock of the Bank of Pittsburgh. Officers will be elected the second Tuesday of this month. Wilson A. Shaw, president of the Merchants & Manufacturers, will become president, and Joseph R. Fauli, president of the Iron City will become vice president. President James J. Donnell of the Iron City, retires to give his time to other business interests.

The two merged banks will give up their clearing house memberships, all the clearing being done through the Bank of Pittsburgh. Thirty banks and trust companies will clear through the Bank of Pittsburgh hereafter.

Depositors of the Iron City received letters announcing the change and stating that the present officers and employes of that bank will be connected with the Bank of Pittsburgh. Depositors of both banks will not need to change their check books until the Bank of Pittsburgh furnishes new ones. The Iron City and Merchants & Manufacturers checks being still honored.

SMALLPOX DECREASING.

Supt. G. W. Moore Materially Reduces the Size of His Force.

Superintendent G. W. Moore of the bureau of health was directed yesterday to reduce his force as far as possible. In accordance with this order he dismissed inspectors W. F. Shannon and W. H. Sparrow, Edward Hooper, an office clerk; Mrs. Snyder, a nurse at the Municipal hospital; two male nurses named Ham and Fields and a laborer at the hospital. There are now but 26 cases of smallpox in the city which require quarantine guards.

The new cases reported yesterday were Mary Haugh, 2301 Spring alley; Johanna Costello, rear of 3610 Denny street; Teresa Schwartz, 2117 Dickson street.

CAMPBELL'S

January Clearing Sale Starts Tomorrow.

See advertisement in this paper for details of this great shelf and case emptying event. Made doubly important this year by the enormous stock purchase—look for details. The People's Store, 327-333 Fifth avenue.

Save from choice rather than wait until necessity compels, and place your savings with the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, Smithfield St. and Fourth Ave., where it will earn Four per cent interest.

DEATHS.

ALLISON—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, ANDREW HARE, only son of George A. and Margele E. Allison, aged 26 years. Funeral services at his parents' residence, 1404 Race street, on Saturday afternoon, January 2, at 1 o'clock. Interment private.

BAKER—At Anaheim, Cal., on December 29, 1903, PETER RHODES BAKER, beloved husband of Ella B. Baker (nee Pinkle). Notice of funeral later.

CAMPBELL—On Tuesday afternoon at 1:40 o'clock at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Davidson, Dumbar, Pa., MRS. ELEANOR CAMPBELL, in her 91st year, widow of Samuel Campbell.

Remains will arrive this (Thursday) evening and funeral services will be held at the residence of her nephew, James C. Sloan, No. 2017 Osgood street, Allegheny, on Friday evening, January 1, at 8 o'clock. Funeral private Saturday morning.

DREHER—At the residence of her parents, Smithton avenue, Allegheny, Tuesday morning, December 29, Miss LUCY A. DREHER, in her 14th year.

Funeral services on Friday afternoon, January 1, 1904, at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family invited.

DONNELLY—Suddenly, on Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 6:30 p. m., at his late residence, 2210 Bedford avenue, JAMES DONNELLY.

Notice of funeral later.

FREELAND—On Wednesday, December 30, 1903, at 12:30 a. m., NANCY RAINEY, widow of James Freeland, in her 80th year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 3023 Perrysville avenue, Allegheny, on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private. Please omit flowers.

FOSTER—On Thursday morning, December 31, 1903, at 2 o'clock, MARIA SELL FOSTER, widow of Walter Foster, in her 83d year.

Funeral services at the residence of her son, J. S. Foster, Cathedral street, near Ridge avenue, Crafton, on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Interment private.

GREGG—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 7:55 p. m., VERGAN D. GREGG, at his residence, 52 Southern avenue, Mt. Washington.

Notice of funeral later.

HURRELL—On Wednesday, December 30, 1903, at 9:45 p. m., JOHN HURRELL, aged 79 years, 6 months and 14 days.

Funeral service at his residence, 930 Rose street, McKeesport, Pa., this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private at a later hour.

JENNINGS—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 7 a. m., WILLIAM HAMILTON, son of Samuel and Mary S. Jennings, aged 2 years and 10 months.

Funeral from the family residence, 32 Bigelow street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

MURRAY—On Wednesday, December 30, at 5:30 p. m., ALBERT MURRAY, aged 53 years.

Funeral services at his late residence, Ohio township, on Friday January 1, 1904. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend.

M'CLELLAND—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 4:30 p. m., NANCY M'CLELLAND, relict of James McClelland, in her 79th year.

Funeral services from the residence of her daughter, Alice J. Say, 110 Boyd street, Knoxville, Pittsburgh, on Sunday, January 3, at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

(Washington (Pa.) papers please copy.)

MKELVEY—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 6 p. m., MRS. MAUDE ELLA MKELVEY (nee Randolph), wife of John B. McKelvey, in her 27th year.

Funeral services will be held at the residence of Mrs. Fulton McKelvey, No. 823 North St. Clair street, East End, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment private at a later hour.

NEALE—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 8 p. m., at Kittanning, Pa., JAMES B. NEALE, in the 67th year of his age.

Notice of funeral later.

ORR—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 2:30 p. m., REBEKAH LINDSAY, wife of Robert Lesley Orr.

Funeral services at her late residence, 1226 Franklin street, Wilkinsburg, on Saturday afternoon, January 2, at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

OTT—On Thursday, December 30, 1903, at 12:45 a. m., HENRY C. OTT, beloved husband of Lizzie Geib Ott, aged 34 years.

Funeral services on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Herman B. Geib, No. 1 Boggs avenue, Mt. Washington. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

RICKENBACH—On Thursday, December 31, 1903, at 10:30 p. m., at Mercy hospital, EMMA V., wife of Charles Rickenbach.

Notice of funeral later.

SCULLY—On Wednesday, December 30, 1903, at 10:30 p. m., JOHN SCULLY, aged 55 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 98 Rebecca street, Allegheny, on Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock. High mass at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic church, Beaver avenue, at 9 a. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

(Boston papers please copy.)

SMITH — On Wednesday, December 30, 1903, at 10:30 a. m., CHRISTINA B. SMITH, daughter of John and Elisabeth Smith (nee Gavin), aged 13 years and 7 months.

Funeral from the parents' residence, Elwood avenue, Sheridanville, Pa., on Saturday afternoon, January 2, 1904, at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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...D MORE ROOM FOR THEATERS

Pittsburgh Architects Tell Why Playhouses in Europe Are Safer Than Here.

METHODS OF FIGHTING FIRE

How to prevent such a holocaust as occurred in the Iroquois theater, in Chicago, by improved methods in the construction of public buildings, especially safers, was the chief topic of discussion among local architects yesterday. While on the interest in the horrible calamity of the proposed building of three more ...eaters in Pittsburgh makes the question vital one.

Architect Fred C. Sauer, who has traveled extensively in Europe and made a ...eful study of public buildings, was ...nusiastic in his praise of the European ...yhouses, as compared with the average ...erican theater.

"The chief difference," he said, "between the theaters of Europe and those of this country is that the former have plenty room inside and outside, while ours are apt to be crowded. The best European ...aters stand in open places, and are ...en entirely surrounded by parks or ...ad streets. There we wedge them in ...tween big buildings, making accidents ...ch more likely. The European houses ...e built in oblong shape, and the rear of ...e theater over the stage is fully a ...rd higher than the rest of the building, ...abling it possible to keep the stage ...paratus above the floor.

Large Lobbies in Europe.

"The lobby capacity of many of the ...eaters abroad is fully three times that of the average American theater. This is exemplified plainly in the Grand opera house in Paris, which is 300x200 feet. The ...eat theater in Dresden and the finest ...eater in Frankfort, where many more ...ers are provided. More care is taken, ...o, that the playhouses shall be absolutely fire proof. The arches are all of brick and the stairways of marble, granite or stone. No wood is allowed in the ...ver theaters abroad. The aisles, too, are ...roader, and the rows of seats farther ...part than in our theaters, and more time ...s allowed for the performances, thus cutting down the danger of accidents. Instead of one main entrance, the best theaters of Europe have several, in addition to the carriage entrances and fire exits. A very important point is that every gallery is reached by a separate stairway, making a crush almost impossible. More room and more money spent in their construction make the theaters of Europe safer than ours, although some horrible accidents have happened there.

Should Be on a Corner.

Some excellent suggestions were advanced by Architect Thomas Hannah of the firm of Hannaberg & Hannah.

"Our theaters are too apt to be built in inaccessible places," he said, "instead of being on a corner with wide streets alongside. More care should be exercised, too, in wiring a public building. In some theaters the wires are carried in conduits ...lowed to place the wires in the conduits that the latter are strung. The pipes ...s often damaged by falls of steel or brick upon them, and even where the wires are pulled through after the conduits are placed there is danger in contact with these heat pipes in the pipes and ...e grounded. There should be some regulation, too, to prevent the storing of large ...mounts of gas in a theater building, for ...is is invariably the cause of trouble, and ...ould be stored outside as well.

"The danger of fire from the stage would ...e greatly lessened if theatrical owners would use the sprinkling system seen in our large department stores. By this system of water pipes along the ceiling the entire stock of the store can be drenched in a moment's notice from the water tank on the roof, and if one of these sprinklers were placed over each flat of scenery a flashing fire could be put out quickly.

Automatic Doors Suggested.

"Automatic doors and more asbestos on the stage lessen the danger to those who are employed behind the scenes, and many side doors that swing outward should be provided for exits for the audience."

Architect W. J. Shaw advocated better protection than is to be found in many theaters.

"Every public building, church, school house or theater should have the very best of exits provided," he said, "without regard to cost. Competent ushers should be employed, who can handle a crowd in case of emergency and who understand the construction of the building so thoroughly that they know every possible means of saving life and averting danger. In addition to the standpipe of water that is supposed to be provided for every theater and hall, lines of hose, such as seen in office buildings, should be found in all parts of the house. These work very quickly when unrolled and are simple to handle. To assure the best protection against fire, every theater should have a member of the city fire department employed to direct operations in case of a sudden blaze, for a well-trained man in such an emergency is often the means of saving hundreds of lives."

...ES RAILROAD COMPANY FOR ONLY TWO CENTS

...ney Makes Claim Because Too Much Mileage Was Taken.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Howard Cooper Johnson, attorney, has brought suit against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for the recovery of two cents with interest, which he alleges was illegally collected from him on Monday of this week.

Mr. Johnson today said he boarded the ...olonial express at Baltimore on Monday. He presented a mileage book in payment of his fare. The conductor tore off 95 coupons, each good for a mile transportation. Knowing that the train stopped only at West Philadelphia, Mr. Johnson had warned the conductor not to detach mileage sufficient to carry him into Broad street station.

"According to the company's time tables," explained Mr. Johnson, "the distance from Union station, Baltimore, to West Philadelphia is 94 1-10 miles, requiring, therefore, just 95 coupons for payment of fare."

Arriving at West Philadelphia he demanded that he be carried into Broad ...et station, as he contended he had ...d his fare to that point. He was ...ced at last to take a surface car ...e center of the city.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

"USE SHOVEL," SAYS BURGESS.

Police of Wilkinsburg Won't Permit Snow to Remain on Pavements.

"Keep your pavements clean of snow or I'll run you in," is the edict of Burgess Keys of Wilkinsburg. The official has instructed the borough police to give him the name of all offenders, and, as a result, a number of informations have been made. Some of the cases, which are against prominent citizens, will be heard this morning, but it is expected that the burgess will administer a New Year's talk and dismiss the defendants with that.

"I believe with the man with the hoe," remarked the burgess, "if I might distort the title of Markham's poem. Slippery pavements are dangerous. The judicious use of elbow grease may save lives. It will at least save me from performing a most unpleasant duty."

Heir to Fortune Can't Be Found.

Pittsburgh police are searching for Ferdinand Brinkmann, who is thought to be heir to a big estate in Germany. Brinkmann is believed to be living in this city. Attorney L. Keiser of Dorstfeld, Germany, writes that Brinkmann's parents died during the past year and left many thousand marks. The heir was known to be living in Pittsburgh during 1901 and 1902. Brinkmann came to America from Germany five years ago. There is no Ferdinand Brinkmann in the city directory.

Let one of your New Year's resolutions be that you will open a savings account with the Pittsburgh Trust Co., for Savings, Penn avenue, Sixth and Smithfield sts. and Fourth Ave. and add to every pay day during the year. It will prove a winner.

WORLD MOURNS WITH CHICAGO

Condolences Wired or Conveyed to Stricken City and State Department.

PRESIDENT SENDS A MESSAGE

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Condolences from throughout the world were received on Chicago's great calamity.

Dr. Lueger, mayor of Vienna, Austria, sent the following cablegram to Mayor Harrison:

The city of Vienna expresses to the city administration of Chicago on account of the terrible theater fire through which hundreds of lives were lost, its warmest sympathy and heartfelt condolence.

Dr. Lueger, the burgomaster of Vienna, has cabled to Mayor Harrison of Chicago condolence with the fire sufferers in behalf of the citizens of Vienna. The burgomaster will introduce resolutions at the next meeting of the town council, which probably will appropriate a contribution in aid of the sufferers, the Viennese gratefully remembering the generous donations of the United States at the time of the Ring theater fire.

The following message was received this morning by Mayor Harrison:

Washington, Dec. 31, 1903.

To the Hon. Carter Harrison, Mayor, Chicago.

In common with all our people throughout this land, I extend to you, to the people of Chicago, my deepest sympathy in the terrible catastrophe which has befallen them.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Chicago Does Not Need Aid.

All during the day telegrams of sympathy to the people of Chicago and offers of aid poured in by telegraph upon the mayor. He announced tonight:

"I have received many offers of aid. It may be that before we get through this a few persons will be found to have been put to need, but Chicago will be able to give that aid herself. Most of those killed and injured, now identified, can be abundantly cared for."

Among the telegrams of condolence received from abroad by the mayor were the following:

Berlin.

Mayor Harrison—I wish to express deepest sympathy on account of terrible calamity at Iroquois theater. Please let me know of missing and if some of my acquaintances among them. What a terrible beginning of New Year many good citizens of Chicago will have.

(Signed) HENRY OF PRUSSIA.

From E. S. Willard, the actor, London, was received the following: "Deepest sympathy with citizens mourning."

Mayors of cities of Europe received from dozens of the chief executives of cities between St. Louis and New York.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The following message, which the lord mayor of London, Sir James N. Hitchie, transmits through the Associated Press, will voice the consternation and sympathy which prevail throughout the British metropolis over the disaster at Chicago yesterday:

Mansion House, London, Dec. 31, 1903.

The citizens of London offer their deep sympathy and sincere condolence with the American people in the awful loss of life in the fire at Chicago.

(Signed) JAMES T. RITCHIE,
Lord Mayor of London.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra have sent telegrams of sympathy for the sufferers of the Chicago fire, to the United States ambassador, Joseph Hodges Choate. Foreign Minister Lansdowne. The mayor of Manchester has sent a message of sympathy to Ambassador Choate.

All the local foreign topics of interest were forgotten here this morning in the universal horror over the Iroquois theater tragedy. The extra editions of the newspapers giving the latest details were eagerly bought up and the newspaper placards only bore in flaring type the announcement of further news from Chicago.

Flags Are Halfmasted.

Throughout the morning American residents in London made frequent inquiries at the office of the Associated Press. The flags over the American steamship offices were half-masted. The accounts of the deadly panic were read by the English people with peculiar sympathy and horror, for the pantomime season here is now at its height and the London theaters are daily packed with women and children. The disaster of yesterday doubtless will keep many Londoners from sending their children to the usual Christmas holiday pantomime.

The afternoon newspapers comment sympathetically on what the Globe terms "one of the most terrible disasters of its kind."

To the lord mayor's message of sympathy, which was also transmitted to the United States embassy, by which it will be forwarded to the state department at Washington, Ambassador Choate replied:

I have received your tender message of condolence, in behalf of the citizens of London, to the people of the United States in the tragic calamity at Chicago, and thank you most sincerely. I have transmitted it to Washington.

(Signed) CHOATE.

Lipton Willing to Help.

Sir Thomas Lipton says he believes sympathy is best evidenced by helping the sufferers and that if a fund is opened in Chicago to assist those who have been bereaved of their breadwinners, he will gladly contribute $500 or $1,000.

Lord Monkswell, chairman of the London county council, telegraphed Ambassador Choate as follows:

The chairman of the London county council, in behalf of the capital of the British empire, desires to express deep sympathy with the terrible loss and suffering entailed by the fire at the Iroquois theater, Chicago.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The following cablegram has been received at the state department from Ambassador Choate at London, dated today:

Citizens of London, through the lord mayor, offer their deep sympathy and sincere condolence with the American people in the awful loss of life at the Chicago fire.

The following cablegram has been forwarded from the state department to Ambassador Choate at London:

Assure lord mayor and citizens of London of the high appreciation of their sympathetic message in its hour of sorrow.

(Signed) LOOMIS, Acting Secy.

Official Expression of Russia.

Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, went to the state department, although he has been suffering several days from a cold, and expressed the personal sympathy of the Russian emperor for the people of the United States in this hour of affliction. Mr. Loomis assured the ambassador that the expressions of the emperor were deeply appreciated, and a message to that effect has been cabled to St. Petersburg.

Baron Von Sternberg, the German ambassador, called on Acting Secretary of State Loomis to offer the sincere condolence of his government for the terrible catastrophe which befell the American people in the fire at Chicago. He brought with him a cablegram from Count Von Bulow expressing the deepest sympathy and asking for further details. Mr. Loomis informed him that he would promptly forward the message to the president and expressed the appreciation of the Washington government for the message.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Mayor Collins today sent the following telegram to the mayor of Chicago:

Hon. Carter H. Harrison, Mayor, Chicago:

Boston was profoundly moved and terribly shocked by the report of the awful calamity which has visited Chicago. I express the sympathy of the entire community and my own for the sufferings and sorrows of the afflicted.

(Signed) PATRICK A. COLLINS, Mayor.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Mayor Low today sent the following telegram:

Carter Harrison, Mayor of Chicago, Ill.:

The city of New York and all our people send heartfelt sympathy to Chicago and especially to those so sorely afflicted by yesterday's calamity.

(Signed) SETH LOW, Mayor.

FOUND HEALING SPRING.

Carnegie Man and Daughters Are Cured of Rheumatism by Magic Waters.

Alphonse Greek of Carnegie boldly claims that he has discovered the perpetual fountain of youth, or at least a spring that will cure rheumatism. He owns by lease a small strip of property on Chestnut street, Carnegie, where the rocks from which the magic water flows is located.

For years he and two of his daughters have been sufferers from rheumatism. Yesterday they drank of and bathed in the spring water and all claim to have been cured.

HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES DAMPENED BY GLOOM

Terrible News from Chicago Brought Sorrow to Many Pittsburgh Homes—An Eye Witness Describes Scenes of Horror.

Not since the assassination of President McKinley has Pittsburgh experienced more general gloom than that which spread over the city yesterday caused by the burning of the Iroquois theater. Thousands of Pittsburgh people have close friends and relatives in Chicago, and hundreds who, though spared the terrible shock of hearing of the death of loved ones, nevertheless recognized the names of personal acquaintances in the long list of victims.

The approach of a holiday was forgotten in the horror caused by reading the graphic accounts of the calamity, and in many instances New Year's festivals were abandoned. Chicago people in the city whose families were numbered among the dead or injured hurried home on the earliest trains. Extra editions of the newspapers were closely scanned and every correction in the death roll revealed some name well known here. The telegraph wires burned with messages of condolence or inquiry and business was materially affected by the terrible news.

D. A. Russell, local manager of the National Life Insurance Company, returned to his home in Pittsburgh yesterday after having a thrilling escape from the burning theater. Mr. Russell sat on an aisle near the rear of the parquet. He declares that the fire originated under the stage. After leaving the scene of horror Mr. Russell boarded a Lake Shore train and did not learn of the extent of the disaster until he reached Cleveland.

Mr. Russell said that there was no sign of a panic until somebody shouted "fire." At this he saw the whole audience spring to the floor as one. A mad rush for the exits followed. Mr. Russell slipped out of his seat and was caught in the crush. He was lifted from his feet and carried through the doorway in the sweeping whirlpool of frenzied humanity. He saw men climbing out first, while women and little children were caught in the jam and trampled under foot. Not half a dozen persons on the lower floor were killed, according to his account. Reaching the street he turned and watched the stragglers follow, and saw scores carried from the fire escapes. He thought that few had been injured, and left for the railway station without learning the details in the horror he had escaped.

P. K. Stephenson, business agent of the Master Builders' association, counted the names of 42 friends in the list of dead. Mayor Falkenstein of McKeesport fears that he has lost relatives in the Iroquois fire and telegraphed an inquiry to the Chicago lodge of Elks. Harry Cook of the Duquesne club is still awaiting news regarding his wife and child, who are believed to have attended the matinee.

TO SAFEGUARD LOCAL THEATERS

Bureau of Building Inspection Takes Warning from the Chicago Disaster.

PLAYHOUSES WELL EQUIPPED

Pittsburgh's immunity from fatal theater fires is likely to continue. In local playhouses a repetition of the Chicago calamity theoretically is impossible. All the buildings are provided with fire escapes and those other appurtenances required by law to protect the lives of the people, but theatrical men declare that the absolute safety of an audience depends upon the coolness its members and their individual efforts to prevent a panic. With the best of arrangements, they say, a jam in a doorway will result, the injury of those caught in the crowd, nevertheless the greater the number of exits and the facilities for dispersing a crazed mob, so much greater is the provision against disaster.

Samuel A. Dies, superintendent of the Pittsburgh bureau of building inspection yesterday ordered a thorough investigation of safety apparatus in local theaters. He said that as a rule he found the law was respected. His deputy inspectors climbed all over the buildings, went from cellar to roof, measured fire walls, examined curtains and tested the ladders on the fire escapes. Where suggestions were needed they were promptly made, and Superintendent Deis will ask all local managers to double their precautions to prevent fire.

Guard at Every Fire Escape.

"Trained attaches who will not lose their heads can do much toward quieting a maddened crowd," said he. "A man with commanding presence should be stationed at each fire escape during every performance, and in case of alarm should have the doors open and direct the people where to go. This would reassure the patrons and would divert the crowd. We shall insist on a rigid inforcement of this rule."

Chief Miles Humphries of the bureau of fire stated that experienced men should be placed in the wings and the flies of the stage, constantly on the alert to lower the curtain or to extinguish any spark of fire that might appear in inflammable material.

A reporter for The Gazette who visited local theaters yesterday found each had its own code of rules for preventing damage by fire, judged according to the statutory standards, no theater in the city is better equipped than the Grand, which was remodeled last year. Through the arrangement of five double doors the entire left-hand side of the auditorium can be thrown open on the first floor with a wide exit to the Sixth street and the Penn avenue entrances. The balcony and the two galleries each have five exits.

The stairway to the gallery is constructed of iron and concrete in a solid shaft of masonry. The floors, walls and ceilings of the dressing rooms are of concrete, and the stage has four exits, three being wide freight doors. Throughout the stage, in the basement and dressing rooms are automatic sprinklers. Ten lines of hose are connected to standpipes on the stage and 10 are in the cellar. A fire wall two feet thick separates the stage from the body of the house and a heavy asbestos curtain operated in a groove of sheet iron completely shields the stage. At the Iroquois theater the asbestos drop swung loose, and it was comparatively easy for it to be caught in a draught.

The Bijou curtain was dropped last night, and the word "asbestos" was painted upon it in large letters. Lines of hose are stretched throughout the house and fire extinguishers are placed at every available spot throughout the house.

Nixon Is a Safe House.

The new Nixon is regarded by the building inspectors as another safe house. The fact that its main auditorium is low and has fire exits at the side makes it doubly secure. Manager Thomas F. Kirk stated yesterday that he intended installing the sprinkler system, and added that this would make the house proof against disastrous stage fires. The building is equipped with fireproof material, has two fire walls, and asbestos curtain and hose lines. The system of hose lines will be extended. The prominence of the 70 fire exits in the Alvin is regarded as one of the safeguards of that house. Opening to the all parts of the house, Mr. Kirk said that he had his men trained to be on the alert and that in case of fire each man would go instinctively to his place.

Less conspicuous for their five escapes, but provided with an efficient and ample corps of firemen, are the Avenue and the Grand opera house.

Four men detailed from the city fire department are constantly on duty at the Grand and two look after the Avenue. These men are experienced, and the recent blaze at the Avenue proved their promptness, the private hose line from a standpipe in the building being trained on the fire in a minute after the flames were discovered. No time light is allowed in the building, the side lights being operated from specially constructed electric light reflectors, guarded by trained electricians. The drop curtain at the Grand is fireproof and is fixed on a fuse to drop automatically in case of a blaze in the scenery. The doors are likewise hung to close automatically in case of fire, thus shutting off all draught. In this respect the theater is provided similarly to the Alvin and the Bijou.

Manager Harry Davis declares that the greatest lesson from the Chicago disaster is to the theatergoers, who should remember that any playhouse can be emptied in less than five minutes without crowding and that this would give the audience time to escape in case of fire, saving in 99 cases out of 100 the life of every occupant of the theater building.

At the Duquesne and the Academy of Music there are not exits on the side walls, except at the stage entrance of the Academy. The Duquesne has a foyer next to the first floor, two stairways of eight feet for the balcony and a fire escape along the Penn avenue front of the building. The same arrangements are made for the gallery. The gallery stairway is very narrow at the top. The provisions on the two are similar to those in the other theaters.

Fireproofing is not employed at the Academy, but a system of rules which have been laid down by Manager Harry Williams 20 years ago are obeyed to the letter. Every person in the crowd, both in the building is forcibly ejected, and a performer who strikes a match in the dressing rooms is fined $5. The same penalty is charged for having a litter of paper in dressing rooms. Fire escapes cover the Liberty street front of the building, the stairs and halls forming corridors. The first balcony has three exits and the first floor has two. An ordinary curtain is used and there is no permanent fireman.

Inspections Are Frequent.

Inspections by members of the fire department are frequently made. Fire lines, babcocks, hand grenades and a 50-gallon chemical tank are at hand in case of emergency. Fire drills are held every day and all doors are unlocked at every performance.

The rules in the Academy are that a fire will be announced from the stage the moment it is discovered. Then every attache shall take his station to calm the crowd. If an excited individual tries to start a panic the orders are that no efforts shall be spared to muffle his voice instantly by the use of such force as may be necessary.

To prove the effectiveness of the system of fire escapes in the Alvin theater, a drill of the employes was given last night at the close of the performance of "The Silver Slipper," which satisfied the patrons of the progressive facilities of the house. At a signal from the head usher all the fire doors were opened on the instant. Eight doors in the first floor, nine in the balcony and seven in the gallery swung wide simultaneously and the theater was emptied in three minutes.

RICH MEN ARE NOT ALL HAPPY

Croesus, King of Lydia, Had Troubles of His Own, and There are Others.

Croesus, the John D. Rockefeller of the kingdom of Lydia, was very well-to-do in woodly goods and chattels. "As rich as Croesus" is a saying about 2,500 years old. He had his troubles, however, and some of them were full grown. He was taken captive once by Cyrus and only saved himself from being burned alive by quoting a saying of Solon, the Sage. He finally had to flee his kingdom for parts unknown.

Many of the rich man's troubles today come from high living and could be avoided. They are brought on by eating all kinds of rich, heavy foods at irregular times, lack of proper exercise, undue mental strain, unnatural stimulants, etc., and are commonly known as indigestion, dyspepsia and weak stomach. They are serious troubles all right, but not only can they be avoided but can also be cured, and that without loss of time or proper food and no ornament.

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WOOD ST. AND FOURTH AVE.

DAUGHTERS OF THE SLAIN GROCER.

Elizabeth. Alice. Mary. Annie, Who Saw Her Father Slain. Mrs. Margaret Maloney.

GROCER DONNELLY KILLED BY NEGRO IN HIS STORE

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rushed into the store and knelt by the side of her husband, whose life blood flowed out as he lay in the arms of his wife. The members of the Donnelly family were so excited by the crime that it was almost 20 minutes before Policeman James Scott was told of the tragedy. Word was sent to No. 2 police station and the Central station. Acting Superintendent Bernard McStay, with his plain clothes men, Dennision, Merritt, Duffy, McCabe, Free and Detectives Aymer, Lally, Teff, Colonel Eagan, with County Detectives George Waggoner and John Roach, were soon on the scene.

Donnelly's family were shocked over his tragic end. It was with some effort that Acting Superintendent of Police McStay got his daughter Annie to describe the killing of her father.

Miss Donnelly said the three men were all young, none of them being over 30 years of age. The man who went behind the counter was thin and the two others were of heavy build. All wore long dark overcoats. Two had soft hats and one a stiff hat. The man who fired the shot wore a soft hat and had under it what looked like a jersey cap pulled over his ears and down on his forehead.

Physicians Found Donnelly Dead.

Dr. George H. Vaux of 2703 Center avenue was summoned after the shooting, and he pronounced Donnelly dead when he arrived. On the way to the store Dr. Vaux said he passed two negroes running down Kirkpatrick street. One of them was without a hat. Deputy Coroner R. J. Haslett was notified and he went to the house and Donnelly was identified by his son, Hugh F.

The dead man came to this country 35 years ago and settled in this city. Twenty-five years ago he moved into the house in which he was killed. He was a member of the Roman Catholic church and recently had been attending the services of the Church of Epiphany.

The police notified the railroad detectives and steamboat men to look out for the fugitives. Acting Superintendent of Police McStay has 50 plainclothes men at work in search of the men. Superintendent McQuaide has his entire force at work on the case.

The police arrested William Walker, a negro, at High street and Wylie avenue at 10:20 last night. He said he lived at 711 New York avenue, West End. The only thing against him is that he is a stranger and could not give a good account of himself.

The dead man leaves a widow, two sons and five daughters. Four of the latter lived with him. They are Alice, aged 21; Anna M., aged 18; Elizabeth, aged 17, and Mary, aged 12. The eldest daughter is Mrs. Margaret Maloney and the sons are Hugh F. and Michael B. Donnelly, both of whom are married.

SAD LOSS TO LOCAL PEOPLE

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performance on the ground of "wanting to have fun on the street," and possibly owes his life to that preference. The other children were taken to the theater by the family maid, Mrs. George Erret. In the catastrophe that followed Edward and Mrs. Erret were killed outright, while little Louise was found nine hours after the fire, still alive, but fatally injured. Allerton, by some miraculous manner, escaped.

In answer to telegraph inquiry Mr. O'Donnell was notified yesterday morning that all had escaped and was in the midst of acknowledging the congratulations of anxious friends when a second telegram apprised him of the awful truth. The blow was a severe one, and he totally collapsed and was inconsolable. Mr. O'Donnell was taken home in a carriage and left for Chicago last night with the brother of the dead children.

SPARK CAUSED A FIRE.

Stables in Allegheny Burned. Another Blaze on the North Side Did $10,000 Damage.

The stables of the American Coal and Coke Company at the foot of Page street, Allegheny, were burned shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, involving a loss of $1,200. The fire started in the hay mow from a spark from a locomotive. Five horses in the stables were got out safely. The loss is covered by insurance.

Fire at 711 First street, Allegheny, at 2 o'clock yesterday morning caused $10,000 damage. A. Eberts & Son, contracting carpenters, and the Crescent Cigar Company were the losers. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

Gasoline started a fire in the drug store of J. H. L. Brown at 3701 Penn avenue yesterday. The damage was only $25.

QUAY FOR ROOSEVELT.

Senator Has Become President's Political Adviser Since Congress Adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—President Roosevelt is taking counsel of Senator Quay on political matters, according to current rumors, and it is said that since congress adjourned for the holidays the senator has been called into consultation at the White House three times.

When asked about this today, Senator Quay said he would not discuss politics in any form, and declined to affirm or deny the report of White House conferences. It is also reported that some weeks ago the contingent that is opposed to the nomination of Roosevelt tried to get Senator Quay to promise that he would deliver the Pennsylvania delegation to the opposition, but he refused to go into a deal of that kind and told certain senators that he was in favor of Roosevelt and would stand by him.

AERIAL BALLET WIRE KEPT UP THE CURTAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 31. The cause of the "jamming" of the asbestos curtain, considered the chief cause of the Iroquois theater disaster, was explained today by an inspector for the underwriters, who made a tour of the house and found that the wire on which the queen of the aerial ballet flew out over the audience in the second act, held the asbestos curtain in place and prevented it from being lowered. It was shown by the inspector that the wire on which the most spectacular feature of the show was made practically caused the holocaust.

FRACTURED HIS SKULL.

Young Man Probably Fatally Injured While Coasting on the Boulevard.

Bert Reyl, aged 25, of 2345 Ridge street, had his skull fractured last night in a coasting accident in Thirty-third street, near Grant Boulevard.

With several companions he was coasting down the street when a carriage pulled over the road. Reyl was unable to turn his sled in time and struck the vehicle with tremendous force. He was taken to the West Penn hospital, where he is said to be in a dying condition.

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NAVAL MEN ON WATCH

Russia Stronger in Eastern Waters, but Japan Is Hurrying.

AMERICA TOO PASSIVE

Berlin Paper Thinks We Are Holding Back While Open Door Is Menaced.

U. S. GUNBOAT AT CHEMULPO

[Special Cable to The Gazette.]
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LONDON, Dec. 31.—Bennett Burleigh, wiring the Daily Telegraph from Tokyo, says though New Year's day is being celebrated with great festivities throughout Japan, the situation remains most serious and has grown worse, if that be possible. Japan has hurried forward the completion of several new tropedo boats and also arranged to fit out her three best mercantile vessels as armed cruisers. The greatest activity and vigilance is being displayed by her navy. Since January last Russia has been steadily increasing the number of her fighting ships in the far east. At that time their total tonnage was under 60,000, but at the beginning of the new year it will be 200,000 tons. Japan's total tonnage is 170,000.

Russia Tampering With Korea.

TOKYO, JAPAN, Dec. 31.—The completion of all the necessary preparations for eventualities has been followed by a temporary lull, pending the receipt of Russia's reply. It is reported at Seoul that the Russian minister is trying by every means to induce the Koreen court to grant Russia a lease of Masampho as a naval station. The unrest in Southern Korea continues.

Lease of land for a naval base by Russia in Korea would be regarded as a casus belli by the Japanese government and it is said the Russian minister has been so informed.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—The foreign office declares nothing has yet been decided regarding Russia's reply to Japan. M. Kurino, the Japanese minister here, has been conferring actively with Foreign Minister Lamsdorff.

MOSCOW, Dec. 31.—The imposition of war risks today by the insurance companies on shipments hence to the far east was the first local intimation that the Russo-Japan hostilities were considered within the bound of probability. There is no war talk, however.

The solution of the eastern question, it is more than ever thought here, will be that Japan will occupy Korea unopposed by Russia.

Thinks America Too Passive.

The Frankfurter Zeitung which has been one of the most steadfast friends of the United States among the German press, expresses mild surprise that the East Asia policy of the United States has lately grown so passive.

The interests involved there the paper says concern not merely the Philippines but may have a far reaching effect on the United States itself. It asks:

"Can the United States afford to see one power acquire a predominant possession in the far east which is utterly hostile to the open door? What has become of Secretary of State Hay's treaty with China, guaranteeing an open door? It has been whittled down to such a degree that it is scarcely mentioned nowadays.

According to the Frankfurter Zeitung no other great power outside of Japan has such interests at stake in the far east as the United States, and the paper asks how the present passiveness of the United States is explainable, adding: "We can only conclude that the Washington authorities are not yet accustomed to the new role in world politics and vacillate between harsh and almost masterly seizure of opportunities and unstable backing and filling."

England Getting Ships Ready.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The British third-class cruisers Intrepid and Latona have been docked at Portsmouth in preparation for foreign service. It is understood that they will proceed to China. Reserves in Dublin are said to have been notified to be ready if needed.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., retired, who stopped here today en route east, said in an interview that a war is declared between Russia and Japan it will probably involve all the nations of Europe. Gen. Miles stated that he had been in both Russia and Japan in the last few years and is familiar with the armies of both countries. Both are in fine and effective condition for war.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—A cable message to the navy department today announces the arrival of the gunboat Vicksburg at Chemulpo, Korea, where she is expected to remain for some time for the protection of American interests.

BROKERS INDULGE IN FURIOUS HORSE PLAY

New Year's Eve Celebrated by Riotous Scenes in Financial Exchanges.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The members of the various exchanges in the financial district had their annual New Year's eve frolics this afternoon, all of which were marked by furious horse play and boisterousness. The produce exchange was a scene of riot. Their frolic had been carefully planned by specially selected committee. Great bunches of confetti, sawdust, shavings and breakfast foods had been obtained for the occasion.

When the closing was sounded a storm of these filmy bits were thrown from the gallery, falling in a dense shower. This was followed by a "rough house" in which the brokers tore each other's clothing and leaped and struggled about in the showering confetti. When they had torn each other's clothing sufficiently four members of the exchange, dressed like chefs, attempted to sing as a quartet. The tune had been chosen for the wheezes in their pipes and created a delightful discord.

A sack race, an umbrella race and a 50-yard dash, all of which were won by Josh Brown Small, wound up the program. Mr. Small was rewarded for his sprinting ability by being stripped of his shirt by his admirers. Throughout the afternoon the Seventh Regiment band played a continuous medley. On the other exchanges the fun consisted only of horse play, such as tearing of shirts and hats.

A PROSPEROUS YEAR.

The Pittsburgh Office of the Equitable Still Breaking Records.

The year just closed has been one of unusual prosperity for the Pittsburgh office of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. The total amount of business done during the 12 months of 1903 aggregates $36,602,919, while the increase in new premiums, actually paid in cash amounts to a little over 17 per cent.

The last day of the old year was a record-breaker with a total of $37,000 to its credit.

A significant fact is that during the year, while people were letting go of other securities and reducing investments generally, only a small percentage of the agency's business was dropped from the books on account of death, lapses and all other causes.

The whole record of the agency's business for the year is certainly a remarkable evidence of the confidence Pittsburgh's shrewd business men have in the Equitable and its contracts.

A saving man soon becomes his own master, and this suggests the opening of an account with the Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, Smithfield St. and Fourth Ave. The New Year is an opportune time to make a good beginning.

BRITISH RECEIPTS HAVE DECREASED

Income Tax Is Expected to Be a Great Help During Coming Quarter.

1902-03 ESTIMATES LOWER

[Associated Press Cable to The Gazette.]

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The treasury department tonight issued an account of revenue in the United Kingdom for the first nine months of the fiscal year 1903-04. Of an estimated total of $721,550,650, the return shows $465,287,490 was paid into the exchequer. As compared with last year, the following showing is made—Customs, decrease $2,175,000, excise, decrease $4,050,000; estate, etc., duties, decrease $3,500,000; stamps, decrease, $1,250,000; land tax no change; house duty, decrease, $280,000; property and income tax, decrease, $8,250,000; postoffice, increase, $1,000,000; telegraph service, increase, $200,000; crown lands, no change; receipts from Suez canal and sundry loans, increase, $7,545; miscellaneous, decrease, $870,085; total net decrease, $18,497,040.

In comparing these returns with those of 1902, it must be remembered that the estimates for the current year are nearly $10,000,000 below the estimated receipts of the fiscal year of 1902-03 and consequently the various heads must be expected to show decreases. This is especially true in the property and income tax, which was reduced four pence in the last budget, representing a loss of $12,500,000, while the customs receipts, owing to the abolition of the corn duty, represents a loss of $15,000,000.

It is noticeable from the statement that the estimated receipts for the whole year make it obligatory on the customs, excise, property and income and other revenues to show an improvement in the next quarter if the full estimate is to be realized, but the income tax alone is expected to produce $102,500,000 during that period.

PRESIDENT'S SONS MAKE WHITE HOUSE LIVELY

Inherited Love for Athletics Is Shown in Many Childish Pranks.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Room 10, Postal Building,
WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.

The White House is livelier than it has been for a long time. Theodore, Archie and Kermit Roosevelt have been making things hum during the holidays. They hunt Indians, ride, drive, play ball and engage in other boyish sports from morning until night and keep the White House astir from the cellar to the roof.

Yesterday they were on the roof of the executive mansion playing ball. One of the attendants warned them against trying to climb the flagstaff. All three boys are good horseback riders and in the morning they usually accompany Lieutenant Parlesque of the army on a gallop into the country. Archie has also developed into something of a bicycle rider and edifies great groups of youngsters in the White House grounds with his tricks.

Although the president's sons keep the White House attaches guessing as to what they will do next they are regarded as honest and loyable and have made many friends with all of the force of employes. One other day one of them threw a snowball at Colonel Montgomery of the signal corps, who is on duty at the White House. The colonel dispensed with his dignity long enough to accept the challenge and engage in a snowball duel. Mr. Roosevelt, who was in the executive office, raised a window and encouraged the combatants in turn.

L. W. STRAYER.

ETHIOPIAN EMPEROR HONORS AN AMERICAN

Gives Him Letters of Thanks for President Roosevelt and Andrew Carnegie.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The emperor of Abyssinia, Menelik II., has written a letter of thanks to Andrew Carnegie for his philanthropy toward the negroes of the United States. This letter was brought to New York today by William H. Ellis, who has just returned from the realm of the African monarch. Mr. Ellis also carries a letter from King Menelik to President Roosevelt, and received a third for himself.

Menelik welcomed Mr. Ellis to his capital, Adis Abeba, and allotted him quarters in his palace. Mr. Ellis had an escort of 200 men, and on leaving the country carried away three letters from the emperor. The letter reads in part:

"He has conquered the Lion of the Tribe of Judea, Menelik II., King of Kings, Emperor of Ethiopia. To William H. Ellis—Peace be with you. So often as you and all Americans come to visit me and my country we will accept you in love; our aim is one Christianity and independence."

"I am delighted with my visit," said Mr. Ellis. "I went to Abyssinia as a private American, and I was not on an official mission. I went there, as any other broker, to look after business and to try and secure permission to build a railroad. I believe that I will be successful.

"I found that Menelik was conversant with European affairs, and that he was eager for information regarding America and its development. He was especially interested in the colored race. He is about 58 years of age, light of color and with Anglo-Saxon features. He claims to be a direct descendant of the queen of Sheba. The two men in whom he was greatly interested, and of whom he was never tired of hearing, were Abraham Lincoln and President Roosevelt."

Women Charged With Larceny.

Mrs. Mary Zupka of Third avenue, Homestead, was held for court in $500 bail yesterday on the charge of the larceny of a crucifix, a chaffee and several other articles of St. John the Baptist Greek Catholic church, Homestead. John Uhrin made the charge before Justice George W. Giles. Minnie Smith, 27 years old, who had been employed as a domestic by H. D. Evans of South Oakland square, was held for court on the charge of stealing articles from Evans' house.

Westinghouse Salesman Promoted.

P. N. Jones of Wilkinsburg has been appointed manager of the Cleveland sales office of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, succeeding N. S. Braden, who has been chosen sales manager of the Canadian Westinghouse company, Toronto. Mr. Jones first worked in the Westinghouse electric construction department and later was a salesman at the Pittsburgh offices. This position he leaves to go to Cleveland. Elias Chesrown succeeds him here.

Pneumonia Killing a Family.

Pneumonia is blotting out a family in Braddock. Mrs. Mary Golia died yesterday of the disease at her home, 212 Thirteenth street, Braddock. Her husband died last week of pneumonia; her brother succumbed to the same disease; another brother, Michael McCallaghan, is seriously ill, and her 2-months-old daughter is dying of pneumonia.

For Sister and Brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer R. Underwood of Sewickley gave a card party last evening in honor of two house guests, Owen Underwood of Washington, Pa., a brother of Mr. Underwood, and Miss Temple, of Hartford, Conn., a sister of Mrs. Underwood. About 50 guests were present.

U. S. Gunboat Aground.

MANILA, Dec. 31.—The United States gunboat Quiros is reported aground on a reef off the coast of Borneo. The Quiros is a single screw steamer of 400 tons and is commanded by Lieut. Francis Boubler.

GEN. REYES LOSES WARLIKE SPIRIT

Colombian Representative Now Ready to Counsel His Country to Peace.

DANGER OF CLASH ABATING

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—If the Colombian government follows the advice of Gen. Reyes all idea of breaking out of hostilities between that country and the United States may be dissipated. Even though the reply of this government to the note of Gen. Reyes may not be of a nature to afford him much comfort he stated today that he would use all the influence in his power to prevail on his government to refrain from any hostile demonstration toward the United States.

A war with the United States he declared would result only in disaster to Colombia. Whether or not he will submit counter propositions to the reply of Mr. Hay, Gen. Reyes is unable to say until he has received the document and gone over it in detail.

He said today, however, that should his original contentions not be sustained, the probability is that he will continue the exchange of diplomatic notes with the view to obtaining as many concessions from the United States as possible.

State department advices of recent date all go to show that the danger of a hostile clash with Colombia is abating and these, taken in connection with Minister Beaupre's courteous treatment by the Colombian officials on his way home tend to confirm the official impression here that there is no danger of failure to reach satisfactory adjustment of whatever may exist between the United States and Colombia.

For one thing it appears that the seaboard states of Colombia have come to realize that in the event of hostilities they would be the first sufferers by contact with a naval force, while the politicians of Bogota, two weeks distant from the sea, would have little at stake.

Colombia will not be represented at the New Year reception nor will President Roosevelt receive the good wishes of the Bogota government on that day. Gen. Reyes, the special envoy, has asked to be excused from attending in view of the present situation and Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge, who is not at all well, also will be absent. This decision of the Colombian officials is not intended in an aggressive way but after a careful consideration of the matter they think it the appropriate course to pursue.

TROOPS OF COLOMBIA LAND ON PANAMA SOIL

United States Warships Go to Scene on Hearing the News.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

COLON, Dec. 31.—Information reached Gov. Melendes last night from Carti, a village near the island of Pines, in Panama, that Colombian troops had landed there December 21 and conferred with the Indian chief Inlaquina, who afterwards was taken aboard a vessel and it is thought conveyed to Cartagena.

Chief Inlaquina is regarded here as a sympathizer with Colombia, because he was made a colonel in the Colombian army during a visit to Bogota. He speaks English and is said to have 3,000 or more Indian followers.

Immediately it became known here that Colombians had landed within the borders of the Republic of Panama, the United States gunboat Castine, which was coaling at the railroad dock, steamed out towards Carti. She was followed shortly afterwards by the cruiser Olympia. Admiral Coghlan did not accompany the Olympia, but transferred his flag to the Mayflower, which is the only warship in Colon harbor today.

HOMESTEAD WORKMEN OBJECT TO HEAVY CUT

On account of dissatisfaction over the wage adjustment at the Homestead steel works a petition was presented to General Manager A. R. Hunt by a committee of the men yesterday. The tonnage men suffered the greatest reductions, in a number of cases, it is said, they were given 47 per cent of a cut. The petition asks for a hearing, and in effort is to be made to have the cut made less extensive. A number of the tonnage men resigned yesterday. No answer to the petition has yet been received.

GIRL PRISONERS ALMOST DROWNED IN STATION

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The girls arrested late last night accused of carousing, came near being drowned in the Seventh ward fire station, which is used as a sub police station. During the night a water main leading into the fire department broke and flooded the cells in the cellar. The water was a foot deep when the screams of the girl prisoners wakened the firemen, who rescued them and shut off the water.

SUSPECTED OF PLOT AGAINST CHRISTIANS

SALONICA, EUROPEAN TURKEY, Dec. 31.—Over 100 Turks were arrested here today on suspicion of complicity in a plot to massacre Christians. The arrests are continuing. Quantities of arms and explosives have been seized.

Another Fur Special.

New Stores.

Store Closed Today.

Particular people prefer Bennett Furs—
But why shouldn't they?
Here they get exceptional quality, latest styles and superior workmanship—
At prices little more than undesirable furs are elsewhere—
Saturday—
The finest furs we have in stock—including
Persian and Seal Jackets—
will be marked about

Half Price.

J. G. BENNETT & CO.,
New Stores,
WOOD AND FIFTH.

Always Remember the Full Name **Laxative Bromo Quinine**
Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days
E. W. Grove on every box. 25c

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK FOR 1904 IS BRIGHT

Leading Corporations Report Big Year Closed With Prospects of Revival.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The close of 1903 finds many persons expectant as to the reports of the large financial institutions. It has been assumed, with the changes in valuations of the stock and bond list since July 1, that there would be considerable marking off in values and in the reduction of surplus holdings. The New York Life Insurance Company is the first of the great corporations to make a statement. The applications for new insurance amounted to $475,000,000. The new paid-for business accepted by the company for 1903 is $325,000,000. President McCall states that this last mentioned amount is in excess of the previous year by $23,000,000. It shows also a gain of over $180,000,000 in total paid-for insurances outstanding, which is stated at $1,746,000,000 in amount, covered by 8,000,000 policies.

The income of 1903 is over $67,000,000, and is in excess of the income of 1902 by more than $8,000,000. The company reports also that it does not invest in or loan upon stocks of any kind, and that no credit is taken in assets for the excess of the present market value of securities over their cost value, which excess is over $3,000,000. The total resources of the company exceed $350,000,000. Its bond holdings increased in 1903 over $30,000,000. The policy reserves, as certified by the state insurance superintendent, and surplus reserves have been increased during the year by more than $20,000,000.

The various bank and trust company officials predict an easy money market, and the stock and other exchange members appear to be well satisfied that trade stagnation and the doubtful views of business improvement will likewise be cleared away in the early part of the year. The large building and railroad operations held up by strikes and the tight money market will, it is believed, be resumed very early in the year.

The government export and import figures would seem to indicate that the total exports will fall a few millions below those of 1903, and be about equal to those of 1902, but materially in excess of those of 1902, while the total imports will exceed those of any preceding year, and, combined will the exports, make the grand total of commerce more than in any preceding year, but the exports of manufactures will exceed those of 1903 by several millions, but be somewhat below those of the record year 1900, and, perhaps, 1901.

REDUCTIONS IN WAGES AT YOUNGSTOWN MILLS

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 31.—Special.—A reduction in the wages of the local plant of the National Tube company was announced today. It amounts to 10 per cent or 12 per cent. The laborers are the most favored getting 7 per cent. Nearly 400 men are affected. Notices were posted this afternoon of a reduction of 10 per cent of all men outside the Amalgamated association employed by the Republic Iron & Steel company.

CAMPBELL'S
Five-Column Advertisement

In another page of this paper tells of only some of the goods now starting throughout the entire seven retail floors—details from different sections each day will keep alive the intense interest the store news today creates. Don't miss one Ad—it'll be just like losing money if you do.—The People's Store, 27-33 Fifth avenue.

Five trains leave Pittsburgh daily for Cincinnati at 1:40 a. m., 4:30 a. m., 8:00 a. m., 7:15 p. m. and 11:30 p. m. Tourists' tickets at special fares via Cincinnati to Jacksonville, St. Augustine and other resorts in the South. Get details from J. R. Pilling, D. P. A., Room 306 Park Building, Pittsburgh.

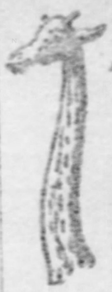
PHILIPPINE BONDS ARE PUT ON THE MARKET

Government Asks for Bids on $7,000,000 Securities to Buy Friars' Lands.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. — Colonel Clarence Edwards, chief of the insular bureau of the war department, today made public circulars asking for subscriptions for $7,000,000 Philippine land purchase bonds, the proceeds of which are to be applied to the purchase of the friars' lands. The bonds will be registered in denominations of from $1,000 to $50,000, dated February 1, 1904, bearing 4 per cent interest, payable at the United States treasury, in United States gold coin.

The bonds will run from 10 to 20 years and be free of all forms of taxation either in the Philippines or in the United States. Subscriptions will be able at the New York sub-treasury where the bonds will also be delivered. Bids will be received until 3 p. m. January 11. They must be accompanied by certified checks for 2 per cent of the bid. The bids will be received at the insular bureau.



IF YOU HAVE A SORE NECK
As Easy to Take Relief and Cure
SORE THROAT
ALL THE WAY DOWN
TONSILINE
WOULD QUICKLY CURE IT
25c and 50c. All Druggists.
The Tonsiline Co., Cleveland, O.

EAST END SANITARIUM

Using Dr. S. G. White's three weeks' specific. A safe treatment that positively removes all desire for drugs or drinks.

340 Shetland Ave., near Lincoln Ave., E. E.
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Store Closed Today—Saturday Closing Hour 6:30 P. M.

SOLOMON'S

K. SOLOMON & COMPANY, Smithfield & Diamond Sts.
Formerly Solomon & Peben.

Clothing Prices Cut.

Reductions of 25%, 35% and more than 35%.

Read this list—it's a statement of facts that are worth investigating.

Men's $10 Overcoats, medium length, dark grey woolens, at $6.75.
Men's $12.50 Overcoats, cut long, black or Oxford frieze, $9.75.
Men's $15 and $16.50 Overcoats, full or ¾ lengths, at $12.50.
Men's $16.50 Overcoats, belted back, neat dark mixtures, $12.75.
Men's $18 and $20 Overcoats, some belted, others plain, at $14.50.
Men's $22 and $24 Overcoats, plain colors or overplaids, go at $15.
Men's $25 and $27.50 Overcoats, fashionable effects, go at $20.
Men's $30 and $32 Overcoats, exclusive styles, to go at $25.
Men's $35 and $38 Overcoats, elegant garments, go at $28.
Men's $10 All-Wool black clay worsted Suits, to go at $6.75.
Men's $10 and $12 Suits, neat fancy cheviots, to go at $8.50.
Men's $10 and $12 fine black thibet Suits, new mark'd $8.75.
Men's $12.50 and $13.50 Suits, smart Scotch mixtures, at $9.75.
Men's $15 and $16.50 Suits, handsome overplaids, at $12.75.
Men's $18 and $20 Suits, mixtures and overplaids, go at $15.
Men's $22 and $24 Suits, exclusive patterns, to go at $18.50.
Men's $25 and $27.50 Suits, elegant garments, to go at $20.
Men's $28 and $30 Suits, very highest grades, marked at $22.50.
Men's $2.50 and $3 Trousers, all latest effects, at $2.
Men's $4 and $4.50 Trousers, neat dress patterns, at $3.
Men's $5 and $6 Trousers, exclusive fabrics, go at $4.

Sweeping Discount on All Fancy Vests of ⅓ Off.

Boys' Wear.

Note the Important Price-Cutting.

Boys' Overcoats of oxford gray cheviots, in half belted styles. Ages 3 to 8 years. Have sold for double our Saturday price of $1.98

Boys' Suits. A double-breasted, coaster, Norfolk, Sailor-Norfolk and blouse styles. Ages 3 to 15 years. Well made suits which have sold at $2.50 and $3.00, go on sale at $2.00

Boys' Suits, in all the correct shades. Choice of Russian blouse, Sailor blouse styles. Ages 3 to 12 years. Well styles. Ages 2½ to 16. Regular $4.50 and $5 values now $3.65

Boys' Overcoats, in long or medium lengths. Made of royal blue, red or brown kerseys, oxford gray or black cheviots, in every correct style. Closing out $4.50 and $7 values, in ages 2½ to 15 years, at $4.95

Young Men's Suits of all-wool cheviots and cassimeres, in newest effects. Ages 14 to 19 years. Best garments ever offered at $4.85

Young Men's Overcoats, in long and medium lengths. Choice of black or oxford gray cheviots, in ages 15 to 19. Have sold up to $8.50, now only $6.50

Young's Men's Overcoats, with broad shoulders and loose backs. Made of black or oxford gray cheviots, in long or medium lengths. Ages 15 to 19 years. Exclusive stores would ask $12 and $15. Saturday we say $9.50

Young Men's Suits of newest mixtures, cheviots and cassimeres, in ages 14 to 19. The most desirable suit for dress wear and a bargain for early buyers. $12 and $13.50 values now $9.00

Men's $3 Shoes, $1.95

A sale of Men's genuine patent coltskin, box calf and velour calf shoes, which are worth every cent of $3, go at $1.95.

These are made over the latest winter lasts. The soles are either single or double and of best oak tanned leather. Every detail of workmanship is of the best. You never bought a better shoe for $3.00, and if you want style, comfort and economy combined, this is the time to buy. These shoes go on sale Saturday morning at, per pair $1.95

See Window Display.

More News of Men's Fixings at Half Price.

The New Year brings increased interest to our Men's Furnishing Department. We are determined to close out immediately several desirable lines of Men's Fixings and have chosen the half-price route to do it.

$1.50 "Griffon" and "Quaker City" Shirts at 75c.

Everybody knows these shirts and thousands of men who are wearing them paid $1.50 for them. These we offer are the latest fancy dress shirts for winter wear. They are fresh, clean goods, not seconds or job lots. They are made of imported madras and percales, in neat colorings and patterns. Either plain or pleated bosoms and separate link cuffs. All go on sale Saturday at half price 75c

50c Neckwear at 25c.

These are the latest four-in-hand ties in the very best weaves, colorings and patterns of the season. They are in the correct shapes and well-made—not skimped or inferior in the finish. Regular 50c grade selected for quick clearance, Saturday at 25c

Headwear Reduced.

Men's Derby or Soft Hats, in the latest shapes and correct colors of the season. This is not a job lot, for we have all sizes in every style in these hats which sold for $2 and $2.50. Your choice Saturday at $1.29

Boys' and Children's Toques, in fine all-wool or silk, solid colors or fancy stripes. 75c toques reduced to 43c

Boys' Double-Band Golf Caps, assorted patterns, neatly made. Regular 25c caps reduced to 13c

Men's Winter Caps, in corduroy or all-wool Scotch cloth. Choice of blue, brown or gray. 50c caps reduced to 25c

25% Off All Fur Caps. These include genuine Astrakhan, French seal and Coney caps, made up in the very latest shapes, and to be sold at ..... ¼ Less than Regular

Special—⅓ Off on Horse Blankets and Lap Robes. *These include the best $ A All Wool Blankets and Choice Fine Plush Lap Robes. The discount is positive. Note the regular prices and pay 1-3 Less.*

From 3d Floor

Curtains and Bedding Keenly Reduced

Ruffled Curtains, 3 yards long and regular widths. Made of ruffled Swiss, in two, three and four pair lots. Have sold up to $1.50, Saturday, per pair 50c

Nottingham Lace Curtains, in one, two and three pair groups. Some with plain centers, others in all-over patterns. Full lengths and widths. Regular $1.15 values, per pair 60c

Blankets Reduced, White California wool blankets, with pink, blue or red striped borders, 12-4 size. Actually sold at $7, your choice, Saturday, per pair $3.50

Plaid Blankets, in red-and black or black-and-white effects. Guaranteed all wool, 11-4 size. Should be $5, Saturday, per pair $2.98

Cotton Fleeced Blankets, in tans white or grays. Exclusive stores ask $1.50, here, per pair 75c

Rushing Out All Millinery.

The prices are lower than we ever attempted to quote before. We are determind that not one hat be carried over, no matter if it be trimmed, ready-to-wear or untrimmed. Hence the price is no object, the only point in view being to clear the tables.

Fine Trimmed Hats of best silk velvets, with trimmings of plumes, pompons, etc. These have sold up $10, your choice now at $3.00

Trimmed Hats, made of best materials, in correct shapes. Have formerly sold up to $5.00, now reduced to $1.50

Street Hats, in the popular turban shapes. Made of long napped felts and trimmed with velvets and fancy feathers. Have sold up to $3.50, now 95c

Children's Trimmed Hats, in white and light colors. Regular $3 values, some slightly soiled, reduced to, each $1.98

Fine Ostrich Plumes, 8 to 17 inches long, dark and light colors. Should be $1.50 and $2, choice offer at, each 48c

Fancy Feathers, birds, breasts, wings, etc. Have actually brought 50c, 75c and $1.00, your choice tomorrow at, each 19c

Dress Hat Shapes. Long napped felt hat shapes, with imitation fur edge. Two regular $2.98 shapes, in black, navy, brown, gunmetal, etc., reduced to 98c

Black Ostrich Plumes, extra long and brilliant blacks. $1.48 values, now priced 75c

Clearance Sale.

Closing out Handkerchief. We want to sell a lot of handkerchiefs Saturday and reduce the stock to lowest possible point—hence we are offering handsome sheer white handkerchiefs, in the daintiest conceits of lace and embroidery—some slightly soiled and crumpled, others in good condition. All marked at half price, choice at

5c, 10c, 15c up to 35c.

Women's Gloves—Extra.

We are putting the glove stock in shape after the holiday rush. This means clearing out all broken lines of high-class kid gloves at a price. For Saturday we present 75c, $1 and $1.25 gloves, sizes broken, of course, but your size in at least one quality. Per pair 59c

Women's Coats, Suits, Skirts, Waists and Furs Reduced

Our great garment floor is the center of interest just now. Never before could such advantageous buying be accomplished. Superb stocks or just the attire which is seasonable and fashionable have been keenly reduced. The probabilities are for a long and severe winter and this makes such unprecedented values as these all the more important.

Women's $20, $16 and $15 Three-Quarter Length Military Coats, reduced to $10.00.
Women's Cravenette Raincoats of mixed materials, in full lengths, reduced to $10.00.
Misses' $12 Blouse Military Coats, fancily trimmed and silk lined, reduced to $5.00.
Women's $12 Blouse Coats, made of montaignacs, in latest styles reduced to $7.95.
$18, $20 and $25 Novelty Coats, made of montaignacs, in latest styles reduced to $16.00.
Girls' $10, $12 and $15 Velour and Velvet Coats, in full lengths, reduced to $7.50.

Women's $5.00 Walking Skirts, made of plain materials or mixtures, reduced to $2.95.
Women's $7.50 Walking Skirts, made of mixtures or kerseys, now reduced to $3.60.
Women's $20 Tailor-Made Suits, made of broadcloths and cheviots, reduced to $13.50.
$25 Tailor-Made Suits of fancy mixtures, neatly trimmed, now reduced to only $16.50.
Women's $3.50 Heavy Cotton Winter Waists, white or black-and-white, reduced to 98c.
Women's $5.00 Silk Waists, in colors and black, reduced to Sale Price of only $2.95.

Special kid glove sale

WE'VE sold thousands of pairs of women's gloves at 75c this season—and every woman who bought a pair can attest to their superiority over any similar priced gloves offered elsewhere. But it's stock taking time, and it's cash we want to inventory—not gloves—so we make the price for tomorrow **55c**

These gloves are made of fine Smarshon kid and come in all sizes and all the wanted colors.

Sweaters reduced

BOYS' all wool sweaters—plain colors and striped neck and cuffs—2 to 12 year sizes, former price 75c, reduced to **50c**

Men's all wool sweaters—in plain colors, former price $2 and $2.50, reduced to **1.50**

Men's fine Australian wool and shaker knit sweaters—college style—former prices $3.50 to $5, at **2.98**

The following items at half price:

About 50 cameras go at half their marked prices
A lot of photograph albums, at exactly one-half off
A lot of card mounts at 5c a dozen
All wooden dumbbells and Indian clubs one-half off
Single pieces of basswood for pyrography, one-half off

Store closed today

KAUFMANN'S

"THE BIG STORE"

Store closes 6:30 p. m. Saturdays

Sale of late copyright $1.50 books for 45c

AN inventory of our book stock reveals about 500 copyright books which have sold down to one or two or a half dozen—and it's by cutting the price down from $1.08 to 45c that we propose to speedily rid our stock of these small lots.

Hundreds of titles are represented—published by

Charles Scribner Sons
Dodd, Mead & Co.
Doubleday, Page & Co.
D. Appleton & Co.
Harper Bros.
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.
Methuen, Putnam & Co.
Little, Brown & Co.
Henry Altemus Co.
T. A. Stokes & Co.
Macmillan & Co.
Lathrop Publishing Co.

This reduced price of 45c holds good only tomorrow.

$3.50 and $4.00 trimmed hats for 1.98

AND you're not restricted as to choice—go right through our entire stock, and select any woman's or misses' trimmed hat marked $3.50 or $4 and pay the saleslady only 1.98.

Women's and misses' ready-to-wear and trimmed hats—all hand made of velvet or milliners' felt, very tastily gotten up—reduced from $2, $2.50 and $2.75 to only **75c**

Every Man's and Boy's Suit and Overcoat at exactly 30% off marked price

JUST as we predicted, the usual number of imitations have followed this bona fide original offer—but they are like echo to sound or shadow to object. Even the employment of phrases exactly the same as "The Big Store's" is resorted to in order to disguise the weakness of these poor imitations, and make them appear genuine.

Words are no man's private property, they are as free as the air we breathe—but words not backed by deeds are like a fog—intangible—and nothing but a superficiality. The crowds that have attended this sale and the large volume of business transacted readily attests to its worth and merit.

We repeat: This 30% discount offer on any man's or boy's suit, overcoat or pair of trousers in our entire stock is (in view of the fact that our prices are always 20% below those of others) **equal to a 50% discount.** And if you find that the saving is not equivalent to a 50% discount—your money will be cheerfully returned for the asking.

Make your own deduction.

On all men's suits and overcoats marked $6 you deduct 1.80 and pay only 4.20
On all men's suits and overcoats marked $7 you deduct 2.10 and pay only 4.90
On all men's suits and overcoats marked $10 you deduct 3.00 and pay only 7.00
On all men's suits and overcoats marked $15 you deduct 4.50 and pay only 10.50
And so on up to the $35 suits and overcoats which go at 24.50.

On all youths' suits and overcoats marked $3.90 you deduct 1.17 and pay only 2.73
On all youths' suits and overcoats marked $5 you deduct 1.50 and pay only 3.50
On all youths' suits and overcoats marked $7.50 you deduct 2.25 and pay only 5.25
On all youths' suits and overcoats marked $10 you deduct 3.00 and pay only 7.00
And so on up to the $21 suits and overcoats which go at 14.70.

Pay us 30 per cent less than the price marked on the garment you select.

On all boys' suits and overcoats marked $2 you deduct 60c and pay only 1.40
On all boys' suits and overcoats marked $3 you deduct 90c and pay only 2.10
On all boys' suits and overcoats marked $4 you deduct 1.20 and pay only 2.80
On all boys' suits and overcoats marked $5 you deduct 1.50 and pay only 3.50
On all boys' suits and overcoats marked $8 you deduct 2.40 and pay only 5.60
And so on up to the $15 suits and overcoats which go at 10.50.

On all boys' knee pants marked 44c you deduct 13c and pay only 31c
On all boys' knee pants marked 75c you deduct 23c and pay only 52c
On all men's and youths' trousers marked $1.98 you deduct 59c and pay only 1.39
On all men's and youths' trousers marked $3 you deduct 90c and pay only 2.10
On all men's and youths' trousers marked $5 you deduct 1.50 and pay only 3.50
And so on up to the $10 pants which go for only 7.00.

Stirring shoe news

SELDOM have we had better shoe news than that which follows. There are several hundred pairs of shoes in stock that are ordered for immediate eviction. They are not bargain-bought shoes, but the good, honest, reliable sort that comprise our regular stock. The newly-little prices should send them off in a hurry.

Men's kid and box calf lace shoes—drill and calf lined, heavy double soles—shoes that have been selling for $2, now **1.25**

Boys' and youths' solid calf school shoes—heavy double soles—reduced from $1.50 to **1.10**

Women's kid and box calf lace shoes—single and double soles, hand sewed welt—broken lines of our regular $3 shoes reduced to **1.75**

Misses' and children's vici kid lace shoes—with patent tips, reduced from $1.25 to **75c**

Specials in rubber shoes and boots

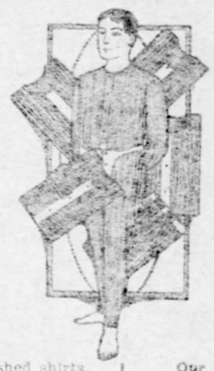
...e arctics and cloth ...—sizes 9 to 11—...1 from $1.25 to **69c**

Children's and misses' first quality rubbers—reduced from 40c to **28c**

Men's dull finished rubber boots—reduced from $3 to **2.00**

...ppers reduced—women's finest quality kid and felt Romeo slippers, fur trimmed—reduced from $1.75 and $2 to **1.15**

Men's underwear, gloves, shirts and neckwear at prices exceptionally low



Fleece lined sanitary shirts and drawers—just the thing for the man who cannot wear wool, all sizes—regular 75c qualities, special at **39c**

Men's ribbed wool shirts and drawers—made up in the best possible manner to imitate a well known imported garment—$1 values reduced to **69c**

Heavy wool shirts and drawers—camel's hair or natural wool mixed with cotton to prevent shrinkage—usual price $1, reduced to **75c**

High grade wool underwear—3 of the best known makes, Norfolk and New Brunswick, full fashioned Glastonbury natural wool and camel's hair and the Bradford underwear—all regular $1.50 qualities, from all of which you can choose at **1.00**

The regular $2 quality Norfolk and New Brunswick underwear—heavy pure wool, full fashioned, self finished shirts, with best quality pearl buttons; drawers extra reinforced—reduced to **1.50**

Men's domet night shirts—heavy, soft, fleeced outing flannel, warm and comfortable, strictly fast colors—regular 75c quality at **45c**

Men's Scotch wool gloves—also plain black, hundreds of pairs, regular 50c value for **25c**

Men's heavy working gloves—wool lined or unlined, well sewn and made good and strong—regular 75c quality reduced to **50c**

Men's Manhattan and Quaker City shirts—none better made, slightly soiled from handling—regular price $1.50, to close at **75c**

Men's stiff bosom fancy shirts—slightly soiled from handling—our regular $1 goods reduced to **50c**

Men's high class neckwear—made of heavy rich imported silks—price before Christmas $1.50, $2 and $2.50, now **1.00**

Our men's regular 50c neckwear—odds and ends, including four-in-hands, tecks and puffs, several hundred in the lot—choice at **25c**

95c "clean-up" hat sale

STOCK-TAKING has brought to light many small lots and lines in which the sizes or colors have become broken—out they go at half price and less. All the latest mid-winter styles of derbys, rough rider, alpine and nichecrown soft hats are included, $1.90 and $2.50 are what these hats have been selling for. Take your pick tomorrow for 95c.

$2.90 hats, 1.45—all the small lots and broken sizes have been culled out from our famous $2.50 line of hats and the price cut exactly in two to make them quickly find new owners.

All winter caps reduced 1/3 to 1/2

Men's fur caps—all styles, in genuine electric or pieced seal, with finest satin lining—reduced like this:
$14 caps now 10.00.
$6 fur caps now 4.00
$3.50 fur caps now 2.50
$1.50 fur caps now 98c

Men's and boys' winter caps—Brighton, golf and windsor styles, in plush, kersey and mixtures—
The $2 caps now 1.50
The $1 caps now 50c
The 75c caps now 37½c
The 50c caps now 25c

Boys' and children's tocques—all wool knit, in all the newest colorings—reduced like this:
$1 toques now 75c
75c toques now 50c
50c toques now 25c
25c toques now 15c

Clearance sale of Lace collars

TOMORROW we begin a clearance of every lace collar in our entire stock where only one or two of a pattern remain. These collars will be assorted on a special counter for quick clearance. All kinds are embraced, including pretty Irish crochet patterns, rose patterns, teneriffe designs, etc., in white, butter and ecru shades.

Lace collars worth up to $1.50 for 75c
Lace collars worth up to $3 for 1.75

Bulgarian embroidered collar and cuff sets—(fast colors, washable) white or ecru, very dainty sets offered tomorrow at **48c**

Top collars—Hand embroidered and hemstitched top collars—very neat designs—50c values, special for tomorrow at **25c**

New black taffeta bows—hemstitched ends, ruching on top of collar—special at **59c**

January mark-down sale coats and suits

THOUSANDS of women make it a yearly practice to attend this January clearance—perhaps you are numbered among them and have been expecting this announcement—But seldom is offered garments with such "style" and finish—at as low prices as now prevail.

Women's and misses' $8.50, $10 and $12 coats reduced to 5.00
Corset fitting coats, military coats and the other fashionable short and medium length coats are all represented in this lot—zibelines, cheviots and coverts; single or double breasted, in the new military shoulder cape effect, plain, braided blouse or collarless corset coat style, mostly silk lined.

Women's and misses' $14, $15 and $18 coats reduced to 9.50
Made of fancy cheviots, zibelines and covert materials, in light tans, black, blues, browns and oxfords; 27 or 33 in. or three-quarter length, in the newest military effect, plain corset shape or fancy loose fitting styles; splendidly tailored and lined with satin.

Women's and misses' $20, $25 and $32 coats reduced to 16.50
Among these will be found the swellest skirted blouse coats, corset shape coats, military coats, and the jaunty short coats; in the newest cape effect or without cape; plain strapped, broad shoulder effect, double or single breasted, plain tailor stitched or silk ornament trimmed, satin or taffeta lined.

Women's and misses' $40, $45 and $50 coats reduced to 25.00
These are the most exquisite and ultra fashionable garments of the season. Some imported from Berlin and Paris; others copies of model garments — very finest foreign and domestic materials; kerseys, silky zibelines, richest broadcloths, etc.—any style you can ask for—lined with best quality soft satin, superbly trimmed or perfectly plain.

Women's $8.50, $10 and $12 tailor made suits reduced to only 5.00
If you've been looking for a big bargain in a "tailor-made," this is certainly your opportunity. These suits reduced to 5.00 are made of fancy mixed or plain materials—the coats come in the new three-quarter length or the short blouse style—the skirts in both dress and walking lengths—all sizes 32 to 44.

400 women's $15, $18 and $21 tailor made suits reduced to 9.50
And by "tailor-made" we mean strictly man tailored — choice of broadcloths, cheviots, coverts and novelty mixtures—in the three-quarter length blouse, medium long or jaunty short jacket styles—the skirts in dress or walking lengths, lined or unlined, strapped or pleated effect.

300 women's $25, $27 and $33 tailor made suits reduced to 16.50
Particular dressers can find no fault with these splendid suits. The medium three-quarter length coat, blouse coat, corset coat and fly-front styles are all represented—in elegant broadcloths, cheviots, English tweeds, camel's hair zibelines and English mixtures—tailor strapped, braided or fancy ornament trimmed.

250 women's $35, $40 and $50 tailor made suits reduced to 25.00
None but the most superb and aristocratic garments are embraced in this offer—some have been imported from abroad, others reflect the greatest skill of the American fashion designers—the dress suits (both jacket and skirt) lined throughout with heavy taffeta silk—the walking suits with unlined skirts—any material you want—exquisitely braided or severely plain tailor-made.

Groceries

Ham—boil skinned ham, rind and fat removed— per pound 11c

Lard — Swift's "Premium," highest quality, pound 13c

Bacon — Squire's boneless breakfast bacon—pound 13c

Flour — "Sleepy Eye," highest quality—½ bbl. 1.25—¼ sack 70c

Pure lard, made from leaf only—10 pound pail 1.25—5 pound pail 65c—3 pound pail 47c

Pure Elgin creamery butter, pound prints 27c

Pure choice Elgin creamery tub butter, pound, 25c.

Evaporated peaches, 10c quality, pound 12c

Evaporated apples—10c quality, pound 12c

Evaporated apricots—15c quality, pound 12c

Evaporated huckleberries, make delicious pies, pound 25c

Condensed milk, red star, 3 cans for 25c—dozen cans 1.15, single can 10c

Tomatoes — "Rob Roy," extra fancy—dozen cans 1.40, can 12c

Tomatoes — "Bellbrand, extra choice—dozen cans 1.10, can 10c

Peas — "Leghorn" brand, sorts June, dozen cans 1.00, can 9c

Apricots — "Silver Crown," heavy syrup, 2½ pound cans, original size tins retail dozen 2.40, can 20c

"Triumph" corn—best Maine packing—dozen cans 1.40, can 12c

Corn — "Queen" brand, extra choice, dozen cans 1.20, can 10c

Lima beans—"Ridgewood" brand, dozen cans 1.00, can 9c

Asparagus tips—"Gold Lion" brand, dozen cans 1.70, can 15c

Asparagus — white stalks, tender, fine flavor—dozen cans 2.40, can 2½ pounds, 21c

Whole Tomatoes—Smart Set, dozen cans 2.00, for 25c

Oyster Bay Asparagus tips—"Monad" brand, quart jars, dozen 3.50, per 30c

Mackerel—"Victory" brand—2 pound oval, dozen 1.10, can 10c

Strawberry beans—blood red—dozen 1.40, can 14c

Spinach—"Lucky" brand, finest quality, 2 pound cans—dozen 1.40, can 14c

Cultivated pumpkin or squash—the ordinary kind, these in 2 pound cans—dozen cans 1.10, can 10c

Red kidney beans—"Victory" brand, extra quality, dozen cans 80c, can 8c

Peaches — "Golden Crown" brand, heavy syrup, 2½ pound cans, regular 35c kind, dozen cans 2.50—25c

Strawberries—"Victory" brand, 2 pound full cans, dozen 1.10, can 10c

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The Tigers Were Lucky to Defeat Yale Seven

PRINCETON WINS THE THIRD GAME

e Has Two Strong Men on the Bench When Tigers Get Deciding Goals.

E CONTEST IS A ROUGH ONE

ith two of the strongest players on bench, Behr and Ward, who were t there in the second half by Referee ssell, the Yale seven had two goals ed on it by Princeton last night in third game of the exhibition series ween these universities at Duquesne garden. s a result of last night's contest, which t to the Tigers, the series stands a tie, h team having won one and playing a tie. final test of supremacy will be decided in Intercollegiate championship games to be ed later in the season at New York, when the other colleges in the league will also pete.

ale was nosed out of the game, and those had no affiliations to either team regretted t the Blue should have both goals scored it at the time, as it looked like a probable ner.

When Behr and Ward were on the bench Zahnizer got into the open and shot the ck that tied up the game, and shortly after pt. Purnell landed another.

Throughout the night there seemed to be a al disregard of the rules by the teams of se that govern the local league games, the ne rules being supposed to be observed by collegians. Russell allowed offside plays legitimate body checks to pass, but in good half he seemed to take a sudden no to purify the sport.

he first offender to incur displeasure was e, who took a punch at Leak.

Behr had no affiliations, as through- the night the Princeton players played him y closely and he had to take some punches t pumps that escaped the eye of the official. they were seen by the spectators.

Dalrymple was the chief offender and on re than one occasion he tried to get after hr. Leak used his club promiscuously e Bear's body, then his legs, and Behr lost- rence, took a punch at him. Russell sent hr to the bench and a second later Ward was de his bench companion for putting King de his when the latter was bringing the ber down the field.

The two of Yale's best men on the ice, and Capt. Purnell was wise enough to e advantage of their absence. On the first ce off, which was in the center of the ice, th got the rubber and chased through t of hours at President Herrmann's office poring over that official's letter file, perusing copies of the missives that are piled up on his own desk in New York. Another hour was spent in answering correspondence. President Pulliam called upon Mayor Fleischmann, fanned and lunched with Frank Bancroft and spent the afternoon at the Columbia with President Herrmann.

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SPORT FOR RICH MEN.

Only Eleven Stables Won More Than $10,000 on Grand Circuit This Year.

BUFFALO, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—When one stops to consider the expense connected with campaigning a stable of harness horses through the grand circuit, the truth of the saying that it has become a rich man's game is apparent. One reads of some horse that has won a $10,000 purse, and perhaps from that is led to believe that it is an easy matter to pick up a stable of horses that will win enough in purses down the big line to pay a handsome profit to the owner, but this is far from the truth. A stable must have exceptionally good horse or a stable of fairly good ones to win as much as $10,000.

It is quite possible for a trainer to have an exceptional good horse and yet fail to figure in the list of big winners. He may meet horses just a shade better than his own, and, besides, there is the danger of sickness and accidents. During the season of 1903 five stables won over $10,000 on the grand circuit. These five stables and the six next most prominent ones are as follows, the name of the driver, number of winning races and the amount won by each being given:

Name of Driver.	No. of winning races.	Amount Won.
Scott Hudson	37	$71,045
Ed. Geers	20	62,237
Dan Wilkerson	17	25,080
Alonzo McDonald	6	23,080
W. J. Snow	18	22,005
J. C. Curry	10	17,875
Dick Wilson	6	14,800
Roy Miller	5	14,770
Bud Doble	5	13,000
A. P. McDonald	4	13,475
Bert Shank	8	12,175

BILL CURTIS WINS.

He Is Only Favorite to Make Good at Ascot Park.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Dec. 31.—Only one favorite won at Ascot park today. That was Bill Curtis, which won the second race in an easy fashion from Dargin and Golden Minstral. The mile and 70 yards went to Henry Clay Rye by a short neck. Weather fine. Track good. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Thistle, 102, J. Lewis, 7 to 1, won; Andronitus, 105, J. Booker, 5 to 1, second; Lilla Hargrave, 105, Birkenruth, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:16⅘.

Second race, 6 furlongs, Slauson course—Bill Curtis, 109, Reifern, 8 to 5, won; Dargin, 112, Gobbler, 6 to 1, second; Golden Minstral, 109, L. Spencer, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:11⅘.

Third race, 11-16 mile, selling—Sir Christopher, 110, J. Booker, 3 to 1, won; Metiaska, 98, Knapp, 9 to 5, second; Urbanic, 107, P. Hilligas, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:46⅗.

Fourth race, 5 furlongs, selling—Redan, 119, Redfern, 2 to 1, won; Blissful, 109, Singot, 3 to 1, second; Farmer Jim, 112, Felcht, 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:01⅘.

Fifth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling—Henry Clay Rye, 112, Mountain, 6 to 1, won; Erne, 109, Knapp, 2 to 1, second; Cloche d'Or, 103, E. Walsh, 3½ to 1, third. Time, 1:47⅘.

Sixth race, 11-16 mile, selling—Lady Fonso, 99, Anderson, 5 to 1, won; Miss Nettie, 105, T. Lewis, 20 to 1, second; Quidado, 105, Buxton, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:06⅘.

"WATCH THE OLD LADY."

Gazette Boys Can Play the Basketball Game.

The Gazette solicitors defeated the crack all-stars of the other Pittsburgh newspapers, 22 to 4, in a lively basketball game last evening at their hall in Oakland. The feature was the all-around playing of Griffith, who manages the winners. The lineup:

Gazette—22.		All Stars—4.
Griffith	Forward	Robinson
O'Connor	Forward	Fee
Anderson	Center	Ogilvy
Rumsey	Guard	Blessing
Carpel	Guard	Foster

FOUR DERBY EVENTS.

Captain Brown Has Many Big Stables in View.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Capt. S. S. Brown, according to his present plans, is going to try to win four derby races. Proceeds and Auditor, two of the largest western winners during the last season, will be candidates in the American derby, and they will be depended upon to win the Tennessee, Kentucky and possibly the Latonia derbies. Auditor will receive a special preparation for the Kentucky derby. Audacious, the fast filly, will be saved for the Englewood stakes at Washington park, but previous to that she will carry the cherry and blue cap in the Tennessee and other western state events.

NEW ATHLETIC CLUB.

Hebrew Young Men Form a Strong Organization.

The Zangwill Athletic club, which is the only Hebrew organization of its kind in this city, will give a banquet this evening in honor of the dedication of their new club house, No. 43 Ninth street. Covers will be spread for 150, and there will be plenty of music and song. The officers are: Joseph Davis, president; A. Goldman, vice president; Harry Hirshbine, secretary, and William Rosenblum, treasurer. They will assume charge of affairs at this event.

Victors Beat Wilkinsburg Seven.

The Wilkinsburg hockey team was beaten by the Victors of Allegheny yesterday 2 to 1. The playing of Newell and Mitchell was the features. Line up.

Victors—2.		Wilkinsburg—1.
Fahnstock	Goal	Newell
Emerick, Frank	Point	Gerder
Allen	Cover	Mattig
Dore	Forward	Russell
Baldwin, Capt.	Center	Turner
Brown, Highlands	R. W.	Fleeger
Matchiner	L. W.	Lewis

Referee—Volbrecht. Goals—Machmer, Baldwin.

Will Play Off Tie Game.

On Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock Riter-Conley and Westinghouse will play off their tie game at the Colesseum. This game will be one of the fastest of the Central league series, being a fight for first place. The floor dropping into last place. Manager Lockhart of the Colleum has erected temporary stands, anticipating a very large crowd in attendance. The line ups of the two clubs has not yet been decided upon. Clarie Rosmith of the Victorias will referee the game.

"Watch the Old Lady."

Fifth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling—Henry Clay Rye, 112, Mountain, 6 to 1, won; Erne, 109, Knapp, 2 to 1, second; Cloche d'Or, 103, E. Walsh, 3½ to 1, third. Time, 1:47⅘.

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ECLIPSE FIVE BEATEN.

orthsides Give Carnegie Team First Defeat of Year.

The Northsides made their first appearance Carnegie last night at Arcade hall and defeated the Eclipse team, 16 to 13, which was first game the Carnegie boys have lost this season. The game was fast. The passing surpassed any that has been seen in Arcade hall in year. For five minutes neither side scored, North Side soon struck their gait and soon ad the score 5 to 0. Flipse's 6, which ended the half. Lineup:

North Sides—16		Eclipse—13.
...rum	Forward	Newell
...ipke	Forward	Barum
...Clark	Center	E. Smith
...Clark	Guard	Casey
...ley	Guard	Allen

Goals—D. Clark 5, Flincke, L. Clark, Barum 2, Smith 2. Fouls—Phelps 2, Newell. Referee—Lockhart. Timer—Irwin. Time of halves 20 minutes. Substitutions—A. Smith for Newland, Casey for E. Smith; O'Brien for Casey.

New Orleans Selections.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The Mean and Journal New Orleans selections: First race—Dodie, Anyway.
Second race—Custus, Lathia.
Third race—Miss Gold, Morning Star.
Fourth race—Rafuland, Wreath of Ivy.
Fifth race—Badger, Bard of Avon.
Sixth race—Monograph, Ethel Wheat.

Youngstown Wants Kenney.

...k Kenney, the local short stop, is wanted ...e Youngstown team for the coming season. Kenney is signed by Evansville in the ...ss league.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

...C. and A. C. will play at Freedom to- ... The following players are requested to ...t the Fort Wayne depot at 6.45: Hydes, ... Lewis, Young, Brown, Turner, McChesney, ...nager Kiefer will take his crowd of ...ball losers to Apollo to play the strong ... second boys of that place, and the following players are requested to meet at the West ...sin station, Central, Mount Allegheny, not ...n than 2:30: Grater, Sutter, Feldheimer, ...um, Binder, Jones, Ford.

...Saturday night at Keane's auditorium, 4570 ...Butler street, D. and A. C. play a County ...gue game. Both teams need this game to ...prove their standing in the league race, and the contest promises to be exciting. Olympics ...d South Side down 28 to 17, and as Duquesne held the latter team down to 23 to 19 the teams should be evenly matched and a ...ng contest should result. The preliminary ...ll be between D. C. and A. C. Jrs. and ...ll start at 7:30.

...Tonight at the Garden Yale will play its ...st game of the season against a team of the Western Pennsylvania league. P. A. C. will tackle the sons of Yale. Yale will try to make a better score than the local team than did the Princetons, who were defeated last Saturday night by the score of 6 to 4. Capt. Ward of Yale will have the same team on the ice that played against Princeton. The line up will be:

...ey	P. A. C.
...Burnell	Ross
...Point	Lamb
...Cover Point	Lewis
...Center	Young
...Forward	Robinson
...Left Wing	Ellis
...land	Right Wing	Preston

There will be no hockey game played tomorrow night. The interscholastics will play the afternoon, the opposing teams being the Allegheny academy and High school. The ...-off will be at 3:30.

BASEBALL MEN GATHER TO DECIDE MANY CASES

Harry Pulliam is in Cincinnati and Will Be Joined by Dreffuss and Others.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 31.—Harry Pulliam, president of the National league, is here and will linger hereabouts until Monday next, when the National commission convenes in annual session at the Laughrey club as the guests of Chairman Herrmann. The probabilities are that both James A. Hart of Chicago and Barney Dreyfuss of Pittsburgh, who, with the Red chief, are the arbitrators in the Jones-Davis imbroglio, will be here at the same time and two birds of ill omen may be killed with bowlders picked up on Laughrey creek.

President Pulliam has not been in touch with headquarters for a week, and he spent a couple of hours at President Herrmann's office poring over that official's letter file, perusing copies of the missives that are piled up on his own desk in New York. Another hour was spent in answering correspondence. President Pulliam called upon Mayor Fleischmann, fanned and lunched with Frank Bancroft and spent the afternoon at the Columbia with President Herrmann.

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BURNIE BUNTON CAUSED SORROW

Californians Made Great Plunge in the Fifth Race, but Only Burned Their Money.

THE SURPRISES AT INGLESIDE

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—The racing at Ingleside today was marked by the defeat of favorites, Jockey Club being the only one to land. Dick Turpin was thought to have the two-year-old race at his mercy, but after leading until the final sixteenth he was beaten by Mendon, the second choice. Burnie Bunton was plunged on to win the 5½ furlong race, but Rockaway closed with much gameness and won in a drive from the mare. Summaries:

First race, 5 furlongs—Niunch, 103, Kunz, 5 to 1, won; Emily Oliver, 102, Burns, 11 to 5, second; I Do Go, 107, Larson, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:15.

Second race, 13-16ths of a mile, purse—Mendon, 114, Bullman, 4 to 1, won; Dick Turpin, 114, Burns, 1 to 2, second; Military Man, 112, J. Martin, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:21.

Third race, 6 furlongs, selling—Louis Wagner, 108, Larson, 6 to 1, won; Aunt Polly, 110, J. Martin, 4½ to 1, second; Matt Hogan, 110, Burns, 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:14.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Jockey Club, 102, Larson, 7 to 10, won; Meirathian Prince, 102, J. Jones, 50 to 1, second; Lacy Crawford, 98, Connell, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:48.

Fifth race, 11-16ths of a mile, purse—Rockaway, 98, Bell, 5 to 1, won; Burnie Bunton, 111, Burns, 6 to 5, second; Arabo, 112, J. Martin, 3½ to 1, third. Time, 1:08.

Sixth race, 1 mile and 50 yards, selling—Gorgoletta, 95, Kunz, 6 to 1, won; Caronal, 108, Larson, 4½ to 1, second; Heather Honey, 100, J. Martin, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:44.

FAVORITES' BAD DAY.

Outsiders Won at New Orleans and the Bookies Got All the Cash.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31.—Favorites fared badly today, only Jude and Floyd K. winning. Bondage, Travers and Dusky were all well backed and the defeat of Floyd K. broke the bettors. Weather clear; track fast. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Juda M., 105, H. Phillips, 6 to 5, won; Overhand, 95½, A. Hopkins, 20 to 1, second; Algrette, 94, W. Hennessy, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.

Second race, selling 1 mile—Floyd K., 98, W. Fisher, 7 to 1, won; Dutch Carter, 103, H. Phillips, 15 to 1, second; Gonnamena, 100, Henthessy, even, third. Time, 1:41.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles—Bon Mot, 102, Sailing, 7 to 2, won; Ethics, 109, Cochran, 10 to 5, second; Mynher, 100, Jost, 16 to 1, third. Time, 1:46⅘.

Fourth race, handicap, 6½ furlongs—Dutiful, 94, W. Fisher, 8 to 1, won; Our Nugget, 91, Robbins, 8 to 1, second; Travers, 98, W. Hennessy, even, third. Time, 1:21.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Jim A. Long, 104, Higgins, 20 to 1, won; Saduccee, 114, McCafferty, 5 to 1, second; Caterpillar, 108, H. Martin, 100 to 1, third. Time, 1:01.

Sixth race, 1 furlong—Newets, 100, Romanelli, 13 to 1, won; Eva Russell, 110, W. Hicks, 6 to 1, second; Ducky, 95, W. Fisher, 7 to 5, third. Time, 1:29 4-5.

DIAMOND AGENT ARRESTED.

Employe of W. J. Johnston Company Charged With Pawning Firm's Jewels.

A. W. Deland, alias J. P. Douglass, formerly of 200 Sixth street, was arrested in New York city yesterday on charges of larceny and embezzlement on the information of W. J. Johnston, president of the W. J. Johnston Company, jewelers, of Fifth avenue and Market street. Deland was an agent employed by the Johnston Company.

Detectives George W. Cole and James W. Eagan had noticed that a great many jewels were being pawned in certain establishments, and it was learned that Deland was selling the goods. The dealer Johnston was notified, and on investigating Deland's account the shortage was found. Nothing was said to Deland, and the detectives continued their investigation. They found Deland had secured a loan of $8,000 from H. L. Dean on jewels and $1,160 from J. G. H. Gross had pawned $1,560 worth of jewels with J. DeRoy, $2,750 worth with L. DeRoy, $2,000 worth with Myer B. Gallinger, and $4,680 worth with Chicago pawnshops.

Suits of replevin have been entered by Johnston to secure the jewelry.

ZANESVILLE HAD VICTIMS.

Two Women and Girl Visiting Relatives Killed in Iroquois Theater.

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Mrs. Mattie Rankin and little daughter Louise, Mrs. Stewart Devol and her little daughter Sarah, all of South Zanesville; Miss Edith Guthrie, until recently of Zanesville, but now of Chicago, a daughter of Stephen A. Guthrie, and Mrs. Howard Merriam, who lived here until recently but whose home was lately in Chicago, are victims of the fire and panic in the Iroquois theater.

Mrs. Devol, Mrs. Rankin and their daughters went to Chicago a few days ago to visit Mrs. Merriam, their aunt, and Miss Guthrie, their cousin. At noon today Charles Merriam went to Chicago, summoned by a telegram stating that the dead and mangled bodies of Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Merriam and Mrs. Devol had been found, but that the bodies of the two children were still missing.

The other victims were Mrs. Charles Koll and her niece, Miss Elizabeth McGill, both of Somerton, Belmont county. They had gone to Chicago to spend the holidays. Mr. Herb Dillea, musical director of the "Mr. Bluebeard" company and who had a narrow escape, lived here several years ago but his home is now in Senecaville.

LYCEUM WINS BOTH.

Beltzhoover and Birmingham Teams Beaten by Decisive Scores.

Two interesting basketball games were played at the Lyceum last night, both resulting in victories. The big game was a rearranged one. The first half saw little scoring, but in the second half Lyceum woke up. O'Donnell scoring three straight field goals, followed by De Muth and Yeager. McGovern also took a hand at the basket, besides scoring several goals. Lineup:

Lyceum—22.		Beltzhoover—11.
McGovern	Forward	Lobert
Yeager	Forward	Scythe
Randall-O'Donnell	Center	Dipple
De Muth	Guard	Risner
Land-Mcquary	Guard	Knabe

Goals—O'Donnell 3, De Muth 3, McGovern 2, Yeager 2, Lobert, Dipple, Risner, Knabe. Fouls—Lobert 3, McGovern 3.

The preliminary was interesting, the Lyceum Juniors making one of their old-time rallies in the second half and winning over Birmingham A. C. 28 to 20.

Woman Strangely Missing.

Mrs. Margaret Jackson has been missing since last Tuesday afternoon. She lived at the house of J. L. Hays, Rankin, and last Tuesday left there to go to Allegheny, where she intended placing her 8-year-old child in a nursery, and has not returned. Two other children of Mrs. Jackson are living with Mr. Hays at Rankin.

Notice of Wage Reduction.

Notice of a reduction in wages was given by the Spang-Chalfant company of Etna. A cut from 10 to 15 per cent is expected to take effect today. Superintendent Graham of Nos. 4 and 7 pipe mills and Superintendent J. Kerns of Nos. 2 and 3 have resigned.

Lieutenant Melton a Suicide.

MANILA, Dec. 31.—Lieut. Elmer B. Melton of the Philippine constabulary has committed suicide.

KISKI SEVEN WINS FROM ALLEGHENY HIGH SCHOOL

Patterson Shoots Only Goal in First Half After Best Run of the Game.

A hockey team representing the Kiskiminetas Springs school of Saltsburg won from the Allegheny High school seven yesterday afternoon at the Colosseum rink by the close score of 1 to 0.

Harry Patterson of Notre Dame played center for Kiski, and he shot the only goal of the game by making the best run of the contest towards the close of the first half, down the ice from the Kiski net. Patterson had little trouble in getting through the forward line, as nearly all of Allegheny's men were in the scrimmage at the net, but he cleverly got around the men on the defense.

Kiski was shy two men and Capt. "Muggins" Cunningham put in Patterson and "Ted" Youngson, the former High school and Shadyside player, to fill out his team.

Honors were even in the first half, but in the second Allegheny played better hockey, and should have won, but hard luck in shooting prevented its being returned a winner.

For the first two minutes of play in the second half the puck was kept in the Kiski side of the ice, Ray Miller, captain of the Allegheny seven, put up a good game, and he made about all of the long runs for his side and many of his shots towards the Kiski goal were close. The lineup:

Kiski—1.		A. H. S.—0.
Davies	Goal	Chatham
Caughey	Point	Cridewell
Wagner	Cover Point	Penrose
P. Cunningham	Forward	Hammerre
Patterson	Center	Miller
Robertson	Right wing	McNair
Youngson	Left wing	Thompson

Goal—Patterson. Referee—Jacobs, Pittsburgh academy.

EASY FOR BIG FIVE.

Allegheny Lyceum Fall Before Star Bunch by a 39 to 15 Score.

The Big Five journeyed to Allegheny last night and beat the Lyceum boys 39 to 15. Hans Wagner was not in the game, and had he played there is no telling what the score would have been. Dickson was the star of the evening, scoring four field goals and nine from fouls, but he was closely followed by Stehle, who had five from field. Lampe had four beauties, and Campbell two. For Allegheny Grayson, Skillinger scored two and Thompson, Geisler and Schmidt one each.

Thompson scored the first goal from foul, then Dickson dropped one in from the same place; he followed this with one from field. Geisler netted for Allegheny from a field goal. The first half ended with the score 11 to 5 in favor of Pittsburgh.

In the second half Allegheny made one change, Rimmel taking Skillinger's place, but he did not last very long and Schmidt replaced him. In this half the big fellows played Allegheny off its feet. Dickson opened by shooting the first, then Stehle took a turn, and when he got the ball he shot it. Campbell also dropped in a few. When the excitement was over the big fellows had tallied 28 points to Allegheny's 10, making a total of 39 to 15. As this was the Big Five's first game with a league team, the result was watched with great interest. Tonight they journey to McKeesport and play the Olympics of the County league. Line up:

Big Five—39.		Allegheny Lyceum—15.
Dickson	Forward	Thompson
Lampe	Forward	Skillinger
Stehle	Center	Gordon
Campbell	Guard	Schmidt
Field	Guard	Geisler

Field goals—Stehle 5, Dickson 4, Lampe 4, Campbell 2, Skillinger 2, Thompson 1, Geisler 1, Schmidt 1. Fouls—Dickson 9, Thompson 5. Referee—Kelly. Timer—Peterson. Scorer—Waldschmidt.

MISS EMERSON WOUNDED.

Pennsylvania Actress Hurt in Duel on the Stage.

WILKESBARRE, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Miss Mary Emerson, the leading actress in "His Majesty and the Maid," was wounded during the duel in the third act of the play at Nesbitt's last night. She was fencing with Richard Gordon, who plays the villain, when he lunged. His foot slipped, the rapier passed Miss Emerson's guard and slashed her face, just beneath the left eye. She fell fainting and was carried to the wings.

The audience thought it was a fine piece of acting and applauded until one of the company asked if there was a doctor in the audience. Miss Emerson's wound was dressed, and with the cut closed with court plaster she finished the play. Physicians say she narrowly escaped being blinded. Miss Emerson is from Franklin, Pa.

GREAT ORANGE CROPS COMING TO MARKET

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The department of agriculture announces that current official estimates indicate that if favorable weather prevails during the next few months the orange crops now coming on the market will be the largest ever produced in the United States. A conservative estimate of the Florida crop places it at about 7,500,000 boxes, and if present promises are fulfilled, there will be shipped from the orange grove of California to eastern markets between 10,000,000 and 11,000,000 boxes, or including about 5,000 cars of lemons from 25,000 to 30,000 carloads of 500 boxes to the car.

EIGHT ACCUSED OF MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 31.—The grand jury which is investigating alleged corruption in Milwaukee city and county governments today returned indictments against the following: Fred Heiden, Jr., former inspector of house of correction, two indictments; former Alderman Charles H. Havenor, former Alderman C. J. Jungman, former Alderman Charles Cooke, Alderman William Zimmerman, Alderman George Meredith, Alderman Valentine Jesion, Supervisor Albert C. Bade. Warrants have been issued.

WOMEN ARE BANDED FOR WAR ON SMOOT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—The National Union of Women's Organizations, Mrs. Frederic Schoff, Philadelphia, chairman, today issued a circular announcing the formation of the preliminary organization "to protest the country against the treasonable and polygamic teachings and practices of Mormonism, and to maintain Christian ideals of marriage." A distinguished lawyer has been retained to cooperate in the campaign against United States Senator Smoot.

Sued Jewelers for Return of Money.

Alexander and William Carlson, jewelers at 1000 Howe avenue, were held for court $500 bail yesterday by Alderman John Groetsinger on a charge of larceny. Sophia Erickson of 4503 Liberty avenue swore that she purchased a diamond stickpin Christmas evening from the defendants for $17 50; that she learned later the pin was not worth the money and that on demanding the return of the $17 50 it was refused.

Haugh & Keenan Loss Unknown.

Persons who had goods stored in the burned Haugh & Keenan warehouse, Duquesne Way and Third street, were there yesterday with wagons removing them to another place. Insurance men were present to estimate the loss. Original McGill said yesterday the total damage will never be known. Many people had uninsured goods stored in the building.

Death Warrant for Uxoricide.

John Conroy, the wife murderer, yesterday heard his death warrant read. He is to be executed on February 25. Conroy shot and killed his wife while she was asleep on December 2, 1902, at 625 Wickliff street. After his conviction an appeal was taken to the supreme court, but the lower court was sustained. Conroy is 50 years old.

Homestead Man Still Missing.

The disappearance of Charles E. Tippett from his home in Fourth avenue, Homestead, is causing his wife and three daughters considerable worry. Tippett left his home early in October to go to Pittsburgh. He has not since returned, and nothing has been heard from him.

OLD FATHER TIME FRANKS MESSAGE

"Happy New Year" Flashed from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean.

WARM WELCOME FOR 1904

S-s-s-s-s-s-t-t!
R-r-r-r-r-ah-g!

A flash of blue flame and the rattle of a gong—the old year had burned out its course and the merry chime of the bell announced the new. Across the country went the tick of midnight, announcing to 90,000,000 people that Anno Domino 1904 was at hand. From without resounded the roar of whistles, the crackle of guns and the sweet clarion notes of watchmaking bells. In the city office of the Western Union Telegraph company in Fifth avenue Night Chief Operator George M. Eitemiller stood with his watch in his hand waiting for the momentous signal. It came in an instant and was gone, like the passing of a vision.

From the national observatory in Washington, D. C., the corrected time is sent out every day at noon over a Western Union wire to every town of any consequence on the entire continent of North America. At New Year's it is special service. It is made, and the "flash" is sent at midnight to announce the birth of a new calendar.

Watching for the Flash.

As midnight approached every eye was fixed on the glass case of "repeaters," containing the instruments to relay the signal to small towns surrounding Pittsburgh.

"Now watch Old Father Time send a message," said Mr. Eitemiller. "He doesn't take the count on 10 words, but shoots one through deadhead—he has a perpetual 'frank,' you know."

An instant later came the flash. Simultaneously the gong rang. From the banks of the Potomac, over the Alleghanies, into Pittsburgh, through sorrow-stricken Chicago, across the plains up into the snowcapped peaks of the Rockies and the Sierras and down into the flowery valleys of California went the wonderful cipher—"Happy New Year"—over 5,000 miles of wire in the twinkle of an eye.

"O, K. And Old Father Time checked his 'frank.'"

The New Year received a great reception when he arrived in Pittsburgh an instant after midnight this morning. He was rung in, shot in, yelled in, whistled in. Were not his life so short, that to make up for its brief span he is a sturdy infant who grows amidst the fanfare, the racket that was made in Pittsburgh at his birth would have been sufficient to scare the youngster to death.

Celebration Became Livelier.

There might have seemed something forced in the reception that first greeted the New Year, but not long before it grew more spontaneous, despite the argus-eyed policeman, who watched to see whether revolvers were pointed to the ground or to the sky and arrested those who pointed their weapons upward, arguing that the former method of shooting loaded cartridges, forgetting that those who knew beforehand of this Solomon mode of judgment might wickedly shoot loaded revolvers downward and run the risk of hurting somebody, merely to fool the policemen.

Fifth avenue was the place where most of the celebrating was done. In front of Newell's stood a little crowd, waiting for the bell in the city hall tower to boom the hour of midnight, while across the street stood Johnnies, waiting for the girls of the particular one in the window of the theater. The Johnnies kept their eyes glued on the door, while the intending celebrants had their ears attuned to the first sound of the bell to tell of the death of the old year.

Before midnight there were sporadic reports of firearms let off by premature revellers, but these unseasonable manifestations were frowned upon by policemen and citizens alike.

When the Bell Boomed.

Finally the big bell boomed the hour, and instantly pandemonium reigned. Pistols cracked, tin horns sounded, men yelled, and the whistles of the river boats mingled in and made real noise. For 10 minutes the racket continued, and then there was a lull. Presently the church watch meetings let out and for some time the participants in them, women and children, came down and went up Fifth avenue. Then the shooting and the tin-horn blowing recommenced, the noisemakers seemingly taking pleasure in making the women squeal. By 12:30 o'clock the noise ceased, and anybody who was not afterward did so at the risk of arrest.

Nearly all the Protestant churches in the city held watch meetings, and at the Syrian Roman Catholic church in Bedford avenue there was a midnight mass, celebrated by Father Gabriel.

POINT BRIDGE CLOSED.

West End Cars Are Running by the Smithfield Street Route.

As announced in advance two days ago by President J. D. Callery, the Pittsburgh Railways Company yesterday changed the route of the West End cars and began running them over the Smithfield street bridge. The cars were run out Smithfield street to Seventh avenue, to Liberty and Wood street and to Water street and back over the Smithfield street bridge. One car was run over the Point bridge at intervals of 10 minutes and the passengers given transfers at the north end.

When repairs are begun the traffic on the Point bridge will be totally suspended. To relieve the congestion in Smithfield street caused by the change of route of the West End cars, the West View and the Spring Garden cars, the terminus of which has been at Smithfield street and Fifth avenue, are now running over the same route as the other Allegheny cars, up Ninth street to Liberty avenue and down Liberty to Seventh street.

HELD FOR HEARING.

Fugitive Cashier Is Rearrested After Discharge on One Warrant.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Russell Beckett, former clerk in the bank of Tarapaco, Chile, who was arrested on a fugitive warrant also on the ship Waldeck Rhederei, today remanded for a further hearing next week by United States Commissioner Edmunds. Beckett was convicted in the Chilean courts of embezzling $5,000 from the bank in which he was employed.

He was arraigned today for a hearing, but was discharged at the request of counsel for both sides. A new warrant has been issued and he was rearrested and taken before Commissioner Edmunds. Beckett's counsel asked for his discharge on the ground of illegal arrest. Commissioner Edmunds was unable to decide the point. He also stated it would be necessary for plaintiff to present certified evidence of Beckett's criminality, which had not been offered.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 31.

NEW YORK—Bovic, from Liverpool; Pennsylvania, from Hamburg; Bordeaux, Havre.
LIVERPOOL—Teutonic, from New York.
GLASGOW—Ethiopia, from New York.
HAMBURG—Graf Waldersee, from New York via Plymouth and Cherbourg.
CORRAL (Dec. 29)—Nanshia, from Hamburg via Genoa, Cadiz, etc., for San Francisco.
YOKOHAMA (Dec. 30)—Nippon, from Tacoma and Seattle via Port Ludlow, for Hongkong.

Sailed Dec. 31.

NEW YORK—La Touraine, for Havre.
QUEENSTOWN—Celtic, for New York.
LIVERPOOL—Ionian, for Halifax, N. S., and St. John, N. B.
PALMOUTH—Menominee, from London for New York.
INISHTRAHULL—Vessel — Carthaginian, Philadelphia via St. Johns, N. B., for Glasgow.

ARRESTED ON EVE OF TAKING LEAVE

Benson, Alleged Briber, Again Taken in Custody by Secret Service Men.

RESULT OF THE LAND FRAUDS

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—John A. Benson of San Francisco is in Ludlow street jail tonight owing to his inability to furnish $10,000 bail. He was arrested here today on a charge of bribery at the instance of secret service officers who feared he was about to leave the city.

Benson recently was indicted in Washington for bribing a federal official. The indictment, which reached here today from Washington, contained 60 typewritten pages. It first charged that Benson and Frederick A. Hyde of San Francisco were engaged in the business of unlawfully obtaining possession of titles to the public lands in California and Oregon, known as "school lands."

The indictment stated that following the securing of the lands by the two men the interior department, through Special Agents A. E. Pugh and H. M. Steece, commenced an investigation. It is charged that on March 18 last Benson paid Woodford D. Harlan, chief of special service division of the interior department, $200 to furnish him with advance information concerning the report of Messrs. Pugh and Steece.

It is further claimed that a second payment of $200 was made to Harlan on March 30, a third on March 25 of the same amount and a fourth on December 18 to the same federal official of $150. A charge is also made that on December 18 Benson paid William R. Volk a clerk in the land office the sum of $150 to permit him to see certain reports.

After his arrest the accused man was taken before United States Commissioner Shields, who set his examination down for January 12. Being unable to procure bondsmen, Benson was taken to jail. Judge Campbell of Benson's counsel said his client had appeared before U. United States commissioner in Washington on December 17, and that the examinations had gone over until January 7.

"Not caring to wait," said he, "the federal officials there yesterday indicted Mr. Benson on the same identical charge he was arraigned on there. We expect to be able to show that Mr. Benson had been guilty of no such crime. We will furnish bail for him tomorrow."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Secretary Hitchcock said tonight, regarding the arrest of John A. Benson in New York today: "I have been informed that Benson was arrested this afternoon, on the indictment found by the district grand jury and that he was held in $10,000 bond for a hearing on January 12. Reports of United States commissioner in New York relative to his return to the district for trial.

"We had him arrested here on a warrant before the indictment had been obtained because we feared that he was about to leave the city. That case now will be dropped, as the indictment covers all that ground and much more."

Many Engines Turned Out.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—(Special.)—The year of 1903 was the most successful in the history of the Baldwin locomotive works, 2,022 complete locomotives being turned out during 1903, exceeding the previous record year of 1900 by 13-4 per cent. The value of the 1903 output of the Baldwin works will approximate between $27,000,000 and $28,000,000.

AN EVENT

That Is Anxiously Awaited for Twice a Year—Arnfeld's Semi-Annual 25 Per Cent Off Sale Starts Tomorrow.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET VERY UNUSUAL CLOTHING BARGAINS.

The Famous Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothing Included in This 25 Per Cent Off Proposition This Year.

Twice a year we put this 25 per cent proposition before the people of these two cities, and the crowds that usually respond is sufficient proof that it is an event that is waited for. Those of you who have not attended these sales we wish to impress with the fact that we include every man's bo

SUDDEN DEATHS EXCEED RECORDS

Year Just Ended Has Been Busiest in History of Allegheny County Coroner's Office.

PASSES 1902 BY 142 CASES

Nearly 2,700 sudden deaths were reported to the Allegheny county coroner's office during the year ended at 12 o'clock last night. To be exact, the number was 2,688, an increase of 142 over 1902, and a new record for the county.

The year has been prolific of deaths, although the county has not had any death-bringing disasters of such great extent as have visited it in former years. The increase is distributed throughout the list of causes and the record is grimly amusing to the statistically inclined, although behind the figures are many saddened hearts.

July was the month of greatest fatality, no less than 259 cases being reported. The heat, undoubtedly, figures in this, as reflected by the number of prostrations and drownings. The latter cases are due mainly to accidents to boys bathing in the rivers. The least fatal month was October, with 165 sudden deaths.

Typical fires in such accidental deaths can be picked out of the list here and there, the most characteristic perhaps being called "going over hill," 15 persons losing their lives in this manner. The mines claimed 71 victims, the mills 158 and the steam railroads 392. The traction lines killed 66.

Oil Worse Than Gas.

The extensive use of natural gas does not seem to bring so many fatalities as would be expected, only 14 cases of asphyxiation from that cause being reported, with 16 deaths from burns from gas stoves, while oil can explosion deaths number 16 and lamp explosions killed 17. As between natural gas and oil for domestic use, there is to be seen less danger in the latter.

Alcoholism is credited with 38 victims. June and July each saw the ending of six heavy drinkers, while November counted none, despite that being an election month. February, the other election month, did better, however, four died from alcoholism in its 28 days.

To heart failure, due to various causes, 250 deaths are attributed, 13 of this number being due to paralysis and 21 to rheumatism. Accidental gunshot wounds killed 18, New Year's celebration figuring in the case of 12 deaths, half of that number being in July.

In the criminal records of the county 76 deaths are given as murders, not a month of the year having passed without at least one case, April being the only month with a single murder, while November leads with 11. The average has been over six a month.

Two Suicides Per Murder.

The records show 143 suicides, or just two suicides for each murder. Shooting still retains its proud position as the favorite route for those who would go hence. With firearms 42 ended earthly careers. Carbolic acid is a close second, 38 making that poison the instrument of their destruction. No less than 27 chose hanging, one tried ether, two threw themselves in front of cars, one cut his throat and one jumped from a bridge. As suicide months December leads with 17, April and May are tied with 16, while July and August produced 11 cases each.

Deaths from old age and asthma, 29. There were 113 victims of burns and scalds. In the last list are included all the accidents that come from ordinary explosions of various kinds. There were 47 cases of fatal burns from ignition of clothing in grates and bonfires count 14 victims, 8 from stoves killed three and scalds added 15 more. Consumption killed 26 suddenly, convulsions 18, one person choked to death on a whistle and one was crushed by a cow. Cramps killed six, sunstroke and epilepsy 15 each. Drownings are classified as "accidental," 97; "found drowned," 24, and "drowned while bathing," 25. Delirium tremens is credited with nine fatalities. Dynamite killed six.

Only One Man Hanged.

One man was legally executed, December 9, "the month. The accidental electrocutions numbered eight, boiler explosions killed six and powder explosions 13. The number crushed by elevators is given as 14, with 21 more killed by the fall of elevators. Falls of all kinds resulted in 208 deaths, in the list are 14 falls from scaffolds, 15 from windows, 18 down stairs, 26 on sidewalks, 21 from bridges, 16 from derricks, 39 from wagons, 13 over hills and one on a police club.

One death is given as due to justifiable homicide, six from indigestion and 48 from starvation, eight from mistakes in giving medicine, 20 from old age and exhaustion, 71 from accidental poisoning, 46 from pneumonia, eight from paralysis and two from paresis. Six persons were run over by wagons and four were struck by lightning. No less than 82 died from spasms and whooping cough killed four.

CHOKED TO DEATH ON PIECE OF MEAT

SHARON, PA., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Harry I. Cotton, aged 38 years, a well-known and prominent farmer of near Clarksville, Mercer county, choked to death at the Rankin hotel at 9 o'clock this afternoon on a piece of cold meat in the presence of his sister. He is survived by his wife and three children.

Held Up by Mounted Robber.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—A mounted horseman last night held up a sleighload of merrymakers on the South Side. Male members jumped from the sleigh and the highwayman rode away rapidly.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Next Monday the Valley Plant, Republic Iron & Steel Company, will resume.

LEBANON, PA.—Constable John L. Fisher was today acquitted of the charge of murdering City Solicitor J. Marsh. Funck.

STEUBENVILLE, O.—Mrs. R. T. Baxter of New Alexandria was poisoned yesterday by eating butter. Her life is despaired of.

JOHNSTOWN, PA.—The striking miners at Boswell yesterday were given five days to leave the houses of the Merchants' Coal Company.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—F. H. Galvin has been appointed assistant engineer and transportation department of the Bessemer plant, Republic Iron & Steel Company.

COSHOCTON, O.—George Marlatt yesterday brought suit for $5,000 damages against Jacob Schuyler alleging that in a dispute yesterday he injured him with a pitchfork.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—A union station for Mahoningtown is under consideration by the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie officials. The Pennsylvania may join them.

INDIANA, PA.—Because his sweetheart, Miss Mabel Buterbaugh, would not accept a gold watch he had bought for a Christmas gift, Robert Lucas of Glen Campbell went to the hotel and shot himself.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—The authorities are looking for Mrs. Sadie Martin, wife of Harry Martin, a Pennsylvania brakeman of this city, who is now dead from typhoid fever, at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Bath.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—At the annual meeting of the trustees of the Mahoning Valley hospital the following officers were elected: President, J. E. Cole; vice president, Dr. John Mackenzie; secretary, H. C. Miller.

WILKESBARRE, PA.—Arthur Burns, who three times escaped from the Tunkhannock jail, was shot and fatally wounded yesterday morning by Constable Schermerhorn of Laceyville, he having pulled a gun to stop one of the officer.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—Dr. and Mrs. George W. Vosen of this city and their daughter, Mrs. George Murdock of Chicago, and her two small children had a narrow escape from death in their burning winter home at Melbourne, Pa., last week.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Incorporation papers have been filed by the Youngstown Hotel Company with a capital stock of $50,000. The incorporators are W. H. Parks, G. S. Whistler, M. A. Morris, S. D. L. Jackson and George E. Rose. A 100-room hotel will be built opposite the site of the proposed new Erie station.

NEW CASTLE, PA.—David W. Swogger, proprietor of the Top Coal & Fuel Company, was robbed of $130 and several checks while being shaved at a barber shop. An unknown man walked into the Mahoningtown station of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie and stole a gold watch and $20 in money belonging to the agent, Miss Nettie Stoughton.

CAMPBELL'S

Sale of Muslin Starts Tomorrow.

Notwithstanding the increase in raw cotton we offer muslins and prints at even less than those quoted for the same staple goods last year—ask us not how we can do it—rather congratulate yourself and be quick to grasp such an extraordinary money-saving opportunity.

The People's Store, 327-335 Fifth avenue.

W. H. STEVENSON FORESTALLS MOVE

Calls Sub-Committee Hastily Together to Receive Estimates and Organize.

MOORE CONDEMNS LARKIN

To forestall any move on the part of the administration to create a new sub-committee on appropriations, W. H. Stevenson yesterday called a meeting of the sub-committee for Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The general finance committee does not meet until Tuesday afternoon, and by holding one or more meetings before the general committee meets, the Orphans will get possession of the estimates of the directors.

This sudden move on the part of the Orphans was determined on yesterday at a conference of Controller John K. Larkin, President C. S. Crawford and Councilman Stevenson. The latter is chairman of the general committee, but not a member of the sub-committee. He declared yesterday that he had the right, notwithstanding to call the sub-committee together. The sub-committee will meet Saturday to organize and the controller will hand over to it the estimates from the directors without the estimates first going through the general committee. Ordinarily the estimates would go to the finance committee first, as councils Monday night directed, and by the general committee be referred to the sub-committee.

Reasons for Objections.

Another meeting of the sub-committee may be held Monday to further clinch the possession of the estimates. Objection is made to the present sub-committee because it was appointed by the chairman without action by the general committee and because select council is not given full representation on it. Select council is given but one place on the sub-committee, while four members are chosen from common council, every one an Orphan. The usual division of a joint committee of five would have been three members from common and two from select.

The ignoring of select council will probably delay the passage of the appropriation ordinance when it reaches the upper branch, for that body will claim the right to scrutinize the budget and insist upon going over it in detail in its own finance committee.

Even should Chairman Stevenson's sub-committee be permitted to fix the appropriations, they will be subject to revision in the general finance committee, as they must be approved by the larger committee before they are transmitted to councils. The Republicans and Citizens can control the general committee should they agree upon appropriations, and they might undo all the work of the sub-committee.

Moore Condemns Larkin.

Director Harry Moore yesterday gave Controller Larkin a lot shot because of the controller's attack on the health bureau which resulted in an investigation. Director Moore said the controller's criticisms of the health bureau had caused the city thousands of dollars.

"Since these charges and this investigation of the municipal hospital many people refuse to go to the hospital to be treated for smallpox. It costs the city about $1 a day to treat a patient in the hospital and about $10 a day to take care of one at home. Under the laws of Pennsylvania you cannot force a person to go to the pesthouse, and he must be treated at his home, with the additional expense of guards and other extra items. It also increases the danger of contagion."

Director Moore does not view with favor the controller's proposition to annex the health bureau to the department of charities. He maintained that the health bureau and the municipal hospital properly belongs to the department of public safety.

Director James W. Clark of the department of charities was yesterday congratulated on the fact that the controller had complimented him for running his department in an economical manner. It was also remarked that the controller had also complimented the former director of charities in the same manner last year.

"Yes," said Director Clark, "he paid him a fine compliment until the unpaid bills from last year began to come in after he had gone out of office, and then he changed his mind about the nice things he had said."

The Three Rivers

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 31.—The stage of the river at 6 p. m. today marked 13.9 feet and falling, making a fall of .7 of a foot during the past 24 hours. Weather clear and growing warmer. Navigation, of course, is still suspended on account of the ice.

The ice was running here greatly today. Not less than 500 craft of different kinds are ashore in the harbors on both sides of the river. Rivermen were of the opinion today, however, that all danger is past for the present at least. The river is still full of ice, most of it being new. The stream continues to fall, but not so fast, and the harbor keepers are managing to keep their craft in water. The shore ice is the greatest menace to rivermen just now, and in some places is piled up as high as 40 feet. At the various loading men were put to work today clearing away the ice.

The Hatfield Coal Company of Covington will probably be the heaviest loser next to the Cincinnati Gas Company. Nearly its entire fleet is out ice bound, including many loaded barges of coal. It was reported that two full barges were seen passing down stream below the city this morning, but efforts to locate the owners of the runaway barges have proved fruitless. The harbor boats were out today and straightened the coal fleets at the various landings. After fixing the moorings of a number of loaded and empty barges at the different landings, no serious damage of any kind was reported today.

WHEELING—River 6 feet 8 inches and falling; gorge at Sistersville; weather clear and warmer.

MORGANTOWN—River 7 feet 6 inches and stationary; weather clear and cool.

WARREN—River 1 foot 4 inches; weather fair and cold.

OIL CITY—River 2 feet and stationary; weather cloudy and cold.

GREENSBORO—River 7 feet 10 inches and falling; weather cloudy, fair and warmer.

PARKERSBURG—River 7.5 feet and falling; weather cloudy and cool; river icebound.

POINT PLEASANT—River 6 feet 10 inches and falling; ice still heavy; weather clear and cool.

LOUISVILLE—River falling; ice passing without damage; in canal, 6.5 feet; on falls, 4.6 feet; below locks, 12.6 feet; clear and cool.

HUNTINGTON—River 10.9 feet and falling; ice very heavy.

STEUBENVILLE—River, 7 feet 8 inches and falling. Weather clear and cold. Ice running.

GALLIPOLIS—River, 9 feet inches and falling. Heavy ice running. Weather clear and warm.

ICE AND LOW WATER.

Weather Conditions Make Bad Rivers. Snow, Not Rain, in Sight.

There are no changes in ice conditions up the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers. The gorge above McKeesport is holding fast and those above Pourtson Mine Island and Springdale are the same as Sunday. Water has fallen gradually behind the gorge at the Island and a drop of three feet was reported yesterday. The Allegheny river is getting still lower. It fell three inches in the last 12 hours. Boats are having more difficulty hauling coal to the mills, and in case of much lower water the Pittsburgh Coal Co. will tie up. Milder weather yesterday afternoon indicated to rivermen that rain is in sight and that chances for a change are much brighter. Home Weather reports light evening flurries, no more snow and gave no prospects for a change in local rivers for some time to come.

The Jutte Coal Company received information yesterday that the Crescent is keeping the Pittsburgh Coal fleet from ice.

Pittsburgh is to have a river exhibit at the St. Louis exposition. A model of the W. W. O'Neill, one of the best of the river company's derrick boats, was shipped to the world's fair city. The model is owned by Capt. John Mora of the transportation department of the company. It is about 10 feet long and an exact miniature of the boat.

The stage of water at Davis Island dam at 9 o'clock last night was 5.4 feet, and the river was stationary.

Hackett in His New Play.

"The Crown Prince," the new "romantic fantasy" which James K. Hackett will offer at the Duquesne theater all of next week, is a return to that class of plays in which for so many seasons he has figured so prominently before the public. With "The Prisoner of Zenda," Mr. Hackett seemed to set the standard of qualifications for that interesting form of stage entertainment. In his new play, which is by George H. Broadhurst, he has the picturesque figure which delights the artistic eye.

TRACTION CAR COASTS DOWN A STEEP GRADE

Brakes Refuse to Work and Trucks Leave the Rails, but Right Themselves Again—Women Passengers Panic-Stricken.

After running 300 yards through a derailing switch, leaping from the slippery track to the curb and then righting its trucks on the rails again, car No. 102 on the Hilltop line in Brownsville avenue yesterday afternoon gave its passengers a thrilling experience. While the wild car bumped along for an eighth of a mile, with women screaming and attempting to leap from the platform, Motorman George Saxton stuck resolutely to his post, and in the face of impending danger manipulated the brake until he succeeded in stopping the runaway.

Near Robinson road, while the car was descending the steep grade at 12:30 o'clock, the power brake refused to work. Saxton reversed the power and the wheels were locked. With this the car sped on like a thing on skids, and dashed through the derailing switch at the head of South Ninth street. The car ran to the curb, but the trolley stuck to the wire, while the wheels refused and rolled on. The collision with the curb deflected the bounding trucks and directed them toward the track. Here the wheels leaped back on the rails and were not stopped until the car had gone 300 yards farther. The woman succeeded in getting past the frightened conductor and sprang to the ground just as the car stopped. She was uninjured. The men on the car remained in their seats and some laughed at the fear of the women.

Motorman Saxton has been on the road four years and is one of the most trusted employes. He was making the run with a new conductor. Remarkable as the accident seems, Saxton declared that it was the second time that a car on the Brownsville avenue hill had leaped from the tracks and then righted itself without serious injury.

SCHWAB REFUSED TO GIVE REBATES

This Is Given as Cause of His Retirement from the Steel Corporation.

ROCKEFELLER GOT REVENGE

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU, Herald Building Herald Square, NEW YORK, Dec. 31.

Reports that the Rockefeller interests are in control in the United States Steel Corporation continue in New York. The Evening World of today is authority for the following:

John D. Rockefeller, having secured a majority holding in the United States Steel Corporation, now seeks to make his domination absolute. While Rockefeller controls the stock, J. P. Morgan still has the board of directors, but when changes are made at the regular election on April 20 next, the Standard Oil interests, it is predicted, will win out. Should the Standard Oil holders at the annual election in April elect all eight directors they would control the company absolutely.

A widely known banker some time ago told how he saw a Rockefeller man meet Henry C. Frick at the Pittsburgh terminal in an automobile at the side entrance on Sunday preceding the quarterly meeting of the steel corporation and from there take him to the home of William Rockefeller, where he spent the day. At that time, in the face of the assurances that the dividend on the common stock would not be cut, it was determined to force the hands of the Morgan contingent and compel them to consent to the cut. The program was carried out through the aid of Mr. Frick.

It was learned from excellent authority today that the real reason that Charles M. Schwab was forced to retire from the presidency of the corporation was that he refused to give private rebates to the Standard Oil people for their supplies of steel hoops and other materials used by that company. The attacks which ended in Mr. Schwab's retirement were then begun and continued until Mr. Schwab was forced out.

When the fact that Rockefeller had secured control of the steel corporation was first told three months ago it was questioned, but financial men in a position to know the facts corroborated it all today in addition to the above statements of the present conditions.

It is said that the quarterly earnings of the corporation will exceed $15,000,000 which is larger than has been expected, and that the earnings for the year will be more than $58,000,000. The report will be given out January 5.

FRANK A. PARKER.

PENNSY FLYER HAS MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

A Car Bumps Along Ties and Across Bridge, but Finally Regains the Track.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

RAVENNA, O., Dec. 31.—Westbound Pennsylvania flyer, due to pass here at 10.25 a. m., had a miraculous escape from a disaster today. While running nearly 70 miles an hour the flanges broke from the wheels of one of the passenger coaches near the middle of the train. The car left the track and bumped along over the ties for a distance of about a quarter of a mile. Part of this distance was over a bridge where the Pennsylvania tracks pass 40 feet over the Baltimore & Ohio tracks.

Shortly after crossing the bridge the car jumped back onto the rails again, but the train was soon stopped, the passengers transferred and the coach dropped off. The car was filled with passengers while making its rough ride and while all were terribly frightened none were injured.

Steel Plant Suspends Work.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The Middletown plant of the National Tube & Iron Company closed indefinitely today, throwing over 1,700 men out of employment. Of these 870 have been working the past month and the remainder were laid off recently with the promise that they would be reinstated tomorrow. The prospects for an early resumption are not very bright.

Pain in Chest Sore Lungs Grip

How easy it is to catch cold! How quickly it settles on the lungs, and how often if neglected it results in Grip, Pneumonia and Consumption! Many deaths are caused in the beginning by a slight cold.

Hamlins WIZARD OIL

will break up a cold on the lungs in a night. It should be applied when the first symptoms appear. Rub the chest well with the medicine, lay upon it a flannel cloth wet with Hamlins Wizard Oil and cover over with flannel bandage. No ordinary cold can withstand this treatment. Apply it at night just before retiring and in the morning the cold will be broken up.

Quincy, Col., April 25, 1902.

My little girl, aged two years, has suffered more or less with Colds since her birth and finally became serious. We tried remedies of several kinds and they seemed to give relief for a time. I finally recommended Hamlins Wizard Oil to me and after the use of one bottle she has become entirely well. I shall never be without Hamlins Wizard Oil in my house. I cannot recommend it too highly.

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GOULD'S MERGER IS COMPLETE

Trunk Line Across the Continent Will Be 16,000 Miles Long.

IS BACKED BY ROCKEFELLER

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—A report was current in Wall street today that George Gould's plan for the merging of the railways known as the Gould roads are quite complete and the lines will be combined into a continental trunk system. A favorable decision in the Northern Securities is only awaited to launch the project. Even though the court ruling is adverse to the Northern Securities, a way will be found to operate the combine with no harm to it.

The recent strength of the Gould stocks on the stock exchange has led many to believe that the amalgamation is rapidly drawing near, and in quarters close to the Goulds it is almost admitted that a favorable decision of the Northern Securities case will mean a quick announcement of a company to take over all the Gould roads. This would mean a system of 16,000 miles covering the richest sections of the country. When completed, it will be the only real trans-continental. It will reach across the continent, although part of the distance will be over the Harriman roads.

The total capitalization of the roads is $416,585,000 and the bonded debt $256,703,120. The roads included are the Missouri Pacific, Wabash, St. Louis Southwestern, Texas & Pacific, International Great Northern, Wheeling & Lake Erie, Western Maryland, Denver & Rio Grande, Ann Arbor, West Virginia Central and several smaller roads.

The Gould lines have now entered Pittsburgh and Baltimore, so that they have an Atlantic and a gulf seaport and a lake port and reach to Salt Lake City from whence cars will run to the Pacific over the Harriman lines. It will be but a year or so under the management of George J. Gould, backed up by John D. Rockefeller, before the Wabash gets into New York through some treaty with the Vanderbilts.

Peso to Be Legal Tender.

MANILA, Dec. 31.—The old Mexican currency will be demonetized tomorrow, and the Spanish-Philippine peso will then be legal tender until July 1, next, at the regular government rate.

ALLEGHENY CITY MUCH BETTER OFF

Value of Its Taxable Property Has Increased $7,000,000 in Three Years.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

Taxable property in Allegheny city has increased in value more than $7,000,000 since the last triennial assessment, and is worth $5,000,000 more than it was a year ago, according to the figures of the city assessors, made public yesterday. The actual increase since 1901 is $7,163,170, and since last January $4,887,077, or $81,000,000 taxable property. In all the wards but one the values were raised. A depreciation of $146,625 is shown in the Fifth ward. This is explained by Chief Assessor O. A. Galley, who says that many wealthy residents who formerly had their homes there have moved to the suburbs. Although still considered a rich ward, much of the property has become what is known as tenant property.

All the other wards show large increases. This is especially true of the First, Fourth, Ninth and Eleventh. The improvements of the Pennsylvania railroad and the remarkable prices paid for Federal street property in the last year are largely responsible for the increases in the First and Fourth. The presence of large manufacturing establishments on Brunots Island increased the value there from $1,500 to $5,000 an acre. The island is in the Ninth ward.

In the Eighth ward the improvement of 20 acres of Herrs Island for the new stockyards boomed values. Brighton road improvement increased values in the Eleventh.

Very few appeals have been taken by property holders and the assessment is considered equitable. Chief Assessor Galley said yesterday that it was not likely there would be one court case resulting from the increased valuation. J. Walter Hay and William Wilson, two of the largest property holders on North Side, expressed themselves yesterday as being satisfied with the new assessment.

The following table gives the taxable value of all classes of property. The actual value is greater in wards where listed real estate rated as suburban, semi-agricultural, the former being assessed at two-thirds and the latter at one-half:

Wd.	R'l Estate.	Improv'ts.	Personal.	Net Tot'ls.
1	$ 6,211,870	$ 4,180,220	$ 120,100	$10,397,290
2	7,430,420	7,211,570	122,120	14,708,850
3	4,660,400	4,202,100	99,370	8,862,600
4	5,660,200	5,041,050	90,250	10,791,500
5	4,945,700	3,445,120	248,425	8,639,720
6	3,201,500	2,815,875	153,720	7,170,100
7	875,000	1,900,770	105,225	2,644,900
8	870,000	1,540,075	100,000	2,510,075
9	2,128,075	1,925,050	205,205	3,826,830
10	1,600,000	1,850,200	10,150	3,510,350
11	2,927,500	2,817,300	45,200	5,790,000
12	744,500	1,000,000	41,150	1,785,650
13	777,075	1,122,050	4,025	1,904,850
14	460,715	425,950	10,900	841,225
15	1,244,000	1,008,075	2,000	2,250,025
	$43,737,000	$40,999,125	$1,487,700	$85,524,495

The figure showing the increase in each ward over the values of last year follow:

	Increase.	Decrease.
First	$ 650,400	
Second	109,575	
Third	927,800	
Fourth	818,075	
Fifth		$146,625
Sixth	109,100	
Seventh	91,420	
Eighth	402,000	
Ninth	880,575	
Tenth	91,775	
Eleventh	710,775	
Twelfth	51,100	
Thirteenth	52,125	
Fourteenth	61,425	
Fifteenth	201,225	
Totals	$4,974,935	$146,625
Net increase		$4,827,975

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TREATY IS MADE WITH ABYSSINIA

Mission of United States Consul General Skinner to Emperor Menelik a Success.

GIFTS SENT TO ROOSEVELT

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

JIBUTIL, FRENCH SOMALILAND, Dec. 31.—The United States expedition to Abyssinia, under Consul General Skinner of Marseilles, which arrived at Adis Abeba on December 21, has successfully carried out the principal features of the mission. A treaty between the United States and the empire of Ethiopia, opening for the first time friendly commercial relations, has been negotiated and signed. Emperor Menelik has also given his formal acceptance of the invitation to participate in the St. Louis exposition.

As a personal tribute from Emperor Menelik to President Roosevelt, Mr. Skinner has been charged to deliver the president two lions and a pair of elephant tusks.

Each member of the American party has been tendered a decoration, the acceptance of which is held in abeyance, owing to the official character of the expedition.

The closing audience granted by Emperor Menelik to Mr. Skinner and the leaders of the American escort was of a particularly cordial character.

MONONGAHELA MEN WILL MASQUERADE

Klu Klux Parade, in Which Prominent Men Participate, to Occur in Monongahela.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

MONONGAHELA, PA., Dec. 31.—Hundreds of visitors from other towns throughout the valley will be here to witness on New Year's afternoon a revival of the "Klukius" parade, which was an annual feature here 20 years ago. Money has been liberally subscribed by business men, many of whom will have unique advertising devices in the parade, the procession. Merchants, professional men and bankers have been active in promoting the old time jollification. A. T. McAllister has been appointed chief-marshall and Courier Commissioner J. B. Gibson, chief of staff.

Each one in the parade will appear in the funniest or most startling costume that the wearer is able to invent. The parade which will march to stirring music through the principal streets of the city will, it is estimated, be more than half a mile long.

WEST VIRGINIA LAWYERS ELECT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The West Virginia bar association adjourned today after a two days' session. A banquet closed the affair. The following officers were elected: President, W. W. Brannon, of Weston; vice presidents, Harvey J. Smith, of Clarksburg; Eli S. Holdsman, of Grafton; E. W. Nuckolls, of Fayetteville; J. W. Vandervort of Parkersburg; Clark W. May, of Hamlin; secretary, Nelson C. Hubbard of Wheeling; treasurer, W. N. Miller of Parkersburg. Delegates to the American Bar association, Col. Robert White of Wheeling; Wesley Mollohan of Charleston; John Bassett of Clarksburg, delegates to the world's congress of American lawyers, H. M. Russell, of Wheeling, and Thomas I. Jacobs of New Martinsville.

Call Extended to Minister.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—The Elders Ridge Presbyterian church has extended a call to the Rev. H. Scott of Slate Lick to the pastorate made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. John Kelly. The call includes the presidency of the Elders Ridge academy.

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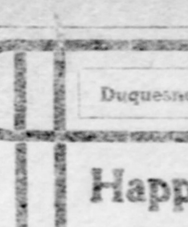

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The Pittsburgh agency of the Equitable Life Assurance Society has closed another year of unusual prosperity. The new premiums actually paid on business done during the year shows an increase of 17 per cent over the phenomenal record of 1902—
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Of the 89 regular life insurance companies in the country there are only 16 whose total business is larger than the business of this *single agency* of the Equitable—a remarkable evidence of the unbounded confidence Pittsburgh's shrewdest business men have in the Equitable as the strongest and best life assurance company in the world.

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For the next 60 days we will sell No. 2 and 3 Manhattan Typewriters at $42.50, and No. 9 Manhattan Typewriters at $50.00. A rare opportunity. All other makes at $25 and $30. Rental, $2 per month. F. S. Webster Co.'s Carbons and Ribbons.

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 80, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the route, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading, paving and curbing of Morgan avenue, from Fernson avenue to Beaton avenue, Eleventh ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses, ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and execute the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

SAML A. PURVIS,
JAMES B. DUFF,
C. C. DEAN,
Viewers.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 44, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the route, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the grading, paving and curbing of Morrison avenue, from A street to B street, second ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses, ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and execute the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

SAML A. PURVIS,
JAMES B. DUFF,
C. C. DEAN,
Viewers.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 42, January term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the route, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading, paving and curbing of Hamilton avenue, from Fernson avenue to Norwood avenue, Tenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses, ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed, for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and execute the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

SAML A. PURVIS,
JAMES B. DUFF,
C. C. DEAN,
Viewers.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

In the court of common pleas, No. 3, No. 43, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the route, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading, paving and curbing of Fifth avenue, from Negley avenue to Marshall avenue, Eighth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses, ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and execute the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

SAML A. PURVIS,
JAMES B. DUFF,
C. C. DEAN,
Viewers.

YEAR MARKED BY RETRENCHMENTS

Industrial and Financial Corporations Forced to Bedrock Basis.

A REVIEW OF THE SITUATION

(By Associated Press to The Gazette.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The annual review of trade of R. G. Dun & Co., will say:

Readjustment is the one word that sums up the industrial and financial history of the United States during the year 1903. From the lowest point of depression in 1896-7 to the zenith of prosperity and commercial activity in 1900-02, the course of business was well defined and uninterrupted, although numerous events occurred that were calculated to check even this great momentum. But five years of trade and manufacture brought financial and industrial excesses. The past year has chiefly been devoted to retrenchment. Assimilation of securities was only accomplished by the drastic remedy of a 30 per cent reduction in prices. Accumulation of iron and steel found a market only with the aid of larger prices and curtailed production.

In the process of readjustment there were many failures, the number being especially large in the last quarter. Some industries have not shared in the reaction to any appreciable extent, and this provides an element of uncertainty regarding the future. But the setback has reached such proportions that there is reason to look for recovery in 1904.

Labor Troubles a Factor.

In iron and steel, starting with the heaviest production on record, the furnace stocks of pig iron practically wiped out, the year 1903 has brought some startling developments. Prices declined and production was curtailed. Labor troubles, especially in the building trades, tied up work on buildings, costing many millions of dollars, and owners investors cancelled many plans for work.

The decline in quotations continued through the fall, but at the recent meeting of manufacturers, former lists were reaffirmed and even southern foundries declined to accept future contracts at the lowest figure for pig iron.

Agriculturally the year has not fallen short of expectations. A smaller yield of cotton was accompanied by more than an equivalent rise in prices, while the yield of cereals was abundant and the live stock shortage of recent poor corn years was fully made up. Neither corn nor oats equalled the record-breaking crops of 1902, but there was an enormous wheat crop, part of which was lost because of inadequate facilities for handling.

Artificial quotations for meats were dissipated during the past year, many of the declines reaching striking amounts and restoring the situation to a much more healthy position, although less profitable to the grower. Abnormally high prices, however, curtailed demand, especially for export, and there was much forced selling through the maturity of loans.

The last two years saw cotton in a strong position, averaging 8 or 9 cents a pound for middling uplands in the New York market. Floods and other climatic conditions proved adverse and injury by insects was very severe, so that as the season advanced estimates of the crop were gradually reduced until about 10,000,000 bales were generally anticipated. Meanwhile speculators became active and prices moved steadily upward until the highest figures since 1870 were attained.

In Commercial Lines.

Hides and leather during the year of 1903 were characterized by a severe decline in hide values which, continuing into the late fall, carried prices down to a lower point in the Chicago packer market than had been reached at any time in several years. Prices on hides reached the bottom during the early part of November. Since then rises have been advancing, and the market at the close of the year was 2½ to 3c higher than two months previous.

The shoe business of 1903 exceeded in volume that of any year in the history of the industry. More shoes were made and sold than ever before and this was rather unexpected owing to the decreased activity in most of the other large trades. It is estimated that the shipments of shoes from Boston for 1903 will exceed those of 1902 by 600,000 or 700,000 cases, and up to the last week of 1903 these shipments slightly exceeded 5,000,000 cases for the year, which makes the first time that the 5,000,000 mark has been reached and passed.

In cotton goods the year opened with a fair degree of promise. There was an average demand from the home trade and a considerable amount of business doing for export in January. Stocks in most lines were moderate and curtailment, such as print cloths and brown cottons, mills were sold ahead, were low compared with cotton, but advancing in a way to encourage manufacturers in hopes of reaching a normal parity on.

January speculators took a strong hold cotton market and from then until have practically dominated the situation all times. In men's wear woolens and manufacturers have not had to contend such manipulation of raw material, but they have still had to face a high for wool with no responsive movement prices of finished goods. On the other prices are in many directions lower at the than at the opening of the year.

Silk goods division continues the story unsettled raw material, unsatisfactory of silk fabrics and heavy curtailment of tion. Early in the year a meeting of silk manufacturers was held at which resolved to advance prices of broad but market conditions were too powerful their operation to be thus artificially ed and short time or total suspension of tion was freely entered upon.

Financial Readjustment.

ancial conditions were precarious for a during 1903, but the season of pressure passed with light mortality, and the year with less than the customary strinin preparation for January disburse-

Unusually heavy exports of gold were early in the year, offset by very large ts during the autumn. Withdrawals of for moving the crops began earlier than and reached very large figures, chiefly se of the abnormal cotton market.

readjustment of stock prices that oc- during the year 1903 caused no sensabankruptcy in the stock market. had risen far above all previous records s 1902, the 20 most active railway stocks aging $71 a 27 at the top point. The de- was well under way when the year d, and it continued until the same securiaveraged $82 62. There were no sharp ngs such as occurred during the Northern cific corner in 1901, nor was there anything of a spasmodic nature about the reaction.

Incomplete returns of commercial insolvencies during the year 1903 show that 12,601 concerns suspended, having liabilities of $156,098,889. These figures compare with final returns of 11,615 failures for $117,476,769 in 1902. Throughout the early months of the year there were fewer failures but always larger defaulted indebtedness than in 1902.

In addition to these figures there was the collapse of a few stock companies not properly included under the classifications into which these failures are divided, notably the United States Shipbuilding Company.

Although no great setback has occurred in business and banking losses were actually smaller than in the preceding year, the large increase in commercial liabilities indicates that progress in the industrial world and in distributive trade has received a very pronounced check.

Labor troubles in the building trades and abandon of undertakings also provided an unusual element calculated to precipitate insolvencies. Money market pressure made extensions difficult, and speculation in cotton demoralized that industry.

MUTUAL LIFE'S SHOWING.

Insurance Company Has Over $400,000,000 Assets at End of 61st Year.

The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York at the close of its sixty-first year of corporate existence has assets exceeding $400,000,000, the largest fund of the kind in existence. The money is for the protection of its beneficiaries, for future orphans and widows, principally. This company points to its board of trustees as a guarantee of the management of this fund. The board is made up of high men in every field of commerce and finance, through whose efforts and influence the fund has grown.

The company has returned to policyholders so far over $620,000,000 which officials of the company say is over $200,000,000 more than any other company of the kind has ever similarly disbursed.

It is believed that these unparalleled results afford ample guarantee of the future. Moreover, the honor and credit of being the first corporation of its kind in the whole world and in any age to accumulate for policyholders benevolent purposes so great a sum as $400,000,000 belongs to the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

CAMPBELL'S
That Clock Purchase From Bauman & Sperling.
Have you read about it yet—in another part of this paper—don't fail to look it up if you're practicing economy and making every dollar count—every statement a positive fact, as always, and price reductions positively the largest ever made in our history.
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THREE KILLED ON LAKE SHORE

Limited Train, Running at High Speed, Dashes Into Open Switch.

EIGHT PERSONS ARE INJURED

(By Associated Press to The Gazette.)

ASHTABULA, O., Dec. 31.—Eastbound limited train No. 22 on the Lake Shore railroad was wrecked two miles west of here today while running at a high rate of speed, resulting in the death of three persons and the injury of several others.

THE DEAD.

DEVILLE SPRING, engineer, Collinwood, O.
GEORGE M'INTOSH, engineer, Buffalo.
G. W. KELFLIN, fireman, Buffalo.

THE INJURED.

A. C. HIGLEY, fireman, Collinwood; leg crushed.
VALERIE BUREAU, Chicago; maid to Marshall Field's family; cut on head, neck wrenched and badly bruised.
G. W. FOWLER, 807 North Hoyne avenue, Chicago; ankle broken, internal injuries and body bruises.
H. FREYTAG, train barber, 217 Swan street, Chicago; chest crushed and ribs probably broken.
E. L. GAGE, baggagemaster; badly bruised.
C. H. WOOD, Pullman porter, Boston; back injured.
F. J. MOORE, Pullman porter, New York; serious body and internal injuries.
G. W. FOWLER, train electrician, Chicago; back injured.

Two engines were hauling the train because of the heavy snowstorm prevailing. The accident was caused by an open switch. As soon as possible another train was made up and the passengers sent eastward.

A DEFECTIVE FROG WRECKS B. & O. TRAIN

Engineer Corrigan Killed Near Somerset, Pa.—Fireman and Flagman Are Injured.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

SOMERSET, PA., Dec. 31.—A defective frog at Geiger siding, two miles north of here, on the Somerset & Cambria branch of the Baltimore & Ohio, was the cause of a wreck at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

The dead:

ENGINEER EDWARD CORRIGAN.

Injured:

FIREMAN FRANK THOMPSON.
FLAGMAN WESLEY MOSTELLER.

Corrigan's engine dashed from the main track on to a siding on which four or five coal cars were standing, smashing the cars and overturning the engine. The engineer was caught under the engine and crushed to death. Thompson was badly scalded and hurled a distance of 50 feet, where he was found by Conductor T. R. Weimer. Thompson, unable to walk, begged Weimer to go to the assistance of Corrigan, but all that could be found of the engineer was one leg which protruded from beneath the big machine. Conductor Weimer came to Somerset for assistance, and at 7 o'clock a wreck train from Rockwood reached the scene and went to work to recover the body of the dead engineer. The injured men were taken to a farm house where they are receiving medical attendance.

Corrigan's home is at Sand Patch. He has been in the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio for 20 years and was one of the most popular men on the Pittsburgh division. He leaves a widow and one child.

The engine went over an embankment.

CASHIER KILLS HIMSELF AND BANK IS CLOSED

Shortage of Quarter Million Is Reported as the Cause of the Tragedy.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Otto Ahlmann, cashier of the Bank of Staten Island, committed suicide at the Hotel Albemarle today by shooting himself in the head. Shortly after the suicide had been identified the following notice was posted on the bank's doors at Staten Island: "This bank is closed pending examination into its affairs."

Mr. Ahlmann had been missing for two days, and the news of his suicide came as a shock to his friends and associates. Bank Examiner Judson, in explaining the notice, said that it was only a precautionary measure, as the usual examination of the bank's accounts were now being made. He had no reason to believe that there was any shortage. It was reported late this afternoon that a large deficit had been found in the bank's accounts. Some estimates placed this as high as $250,000.

When the bank was reached by telephone a man who said he was Mr. Wood, the assistant cashier, said: "I cannot talk about that matter. We fear that there will be something found missing. The bank examiner is now at work on the books. What the result will be, I cannot say."

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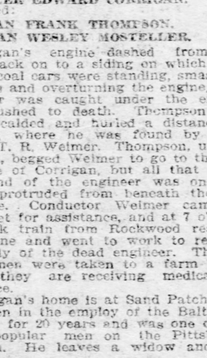

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A dainty, elegant mahogany chiffonier appeals at once to people of good sense and artistic temperament.

It embodies that which is beautiful and pleasing to the eye, and at the same time is one of the most convenient articles of furniture that man has yet contrived.

It is just such a chiffonier that adorns the room and harmonizes with almost any surroundings. There is nothing in the line of chiffoniers that will give better satisfaction, and none that carries with it more elegance than this one.

It is made of solid mahogany, is 38 inches wide, 22 inches deep and is provided with a handsome French oval plate mirror, 30 by 32 inches. It has 3 large drawers, 4 small drawers and a large hat box.

Varieties are large. Prices are moderate at

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Women's 15c Fleeced Lined Stockings — Fast black and seamless — January Clearance Price	Women's $1.50 Oneita Union Suits—fast black merino—January Clearance Price	Women's 25c Vests or Pants—fleece ribbed Balbriggan—January Clearance Price	Women's 60c Vests or Pants—fast black ribbed—January Clearance Price
5c	63c	16c	36c

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LITTLE PRICES ON CHILDREN'S WEAR

Children's 50c Ribbed Wool Tights — odds, sizes, black—January Clearance Price	Children's 50c and 60c Vests or Pants—fleece lined Seconds—sizes 4 to 14 years—January Clearance Price	Children's 10c Ribbed Hose—seamless, with fast black—January Clearance Price	Boys' 85 Fancy Cheviot—all wool—sizes 7 to 14 years—January Clearance Price
44c	39c	5c	42c

January Clearance Sale

TOTALLY DIFFERENT—ABSOLUTELY UNLIKE ANY CLEARANCE SALE EVER HELD IS THIS NOTABLE, FAR-REACHING EVENT WE INAUGURATE SATURDAY MORNING. With a determination born of necessity, with unrelentless might, we slash the prices on ALL merchandise that good storekeeping says MUST GO. Accruing from this policy are grand bargains—one vast outpouring of money-saving values on reliable, up-to-date goods. For example, we mention:

MEN'S UNDERWEAR: GREATLY REDUCED

Men's 50c, 63c and 75c Winter Underwear In plain color, fancy mottled or fancy striped hygienic fleece-lined—also derby ribbed balbriggans and plain natural wool Underwear. Some lines broken sizes—others have all sizes—choice at January Clearance Price 39c

Men's $1.25 Pure Wool Underwear Made from secured yarn—heavy winter weight. Colors, tan and brown—also odds and ends in camel's hair and natural wool Underwear, including lot of extra sizes up to 50 inches—were $1.00, $1.25 and $1.39—all bunched together—choice at January Clearance Price 84c

Men's $2.50 Mercerized Silk, Form Fitting Underwear Ribbed. In pink, blue or flesh color—odds and ends of finest goods made—choice at January Clearance Price $1.25

EXTRAORDINARY UNDERWEAR SPECIAL

Lot of Holroyd make finest cashmere wool ribbed Underwear—full regular made goods—were $2.75 a garment—odds and ends left to go at January Clearance Price,

$1.50

FINEST FURNISHINGS AT CUT PRICES.

Lot of Men's 25c and 50c Silk Neckwear—Tecks, Four-in-hands and Imperials, to go at January Clearance Price 10c

Lot of Boys' 13c fast black ribbed Stockings, full seamless and fleece lined, January Clearance Price 6c

Lot of Boys' and Children's 75c and $1.00 Kid Mittens, plain or fur tops, fleece lined, January Clearance Price 50c

Men's Wool Gloves: Extra Special 2,400 pairs Men's 25c, 34c and 42½ wool Gloves—plain colors or fancy mixtures; also lot of 25c and 50c Cloth and Jersey Gloves—all bunched together, choice at January Clearance Price ..... Scotch 19c

Men's Working Gloves 50 pairs Men's 50c, 63c and 75c Working Gloves—plain or fur tops, being all the durably made—choice from lot at January Clearance Price 39c

Men's Dress Kid Gloves Fleece or silk lined—assorted colors—plain or fur tops, being all the small lots that sold at $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50—choice at January Clearance Price 84c

Men's $4 Fur Gauntlets Lined with lamb's wool and made with buckskin palms—50 pairs in lot to be sold at January Clearance Price $2.00

Men's $2.00 Sweaters Heavy, all wool Sweaters—coat fancy weaves—will go at January Clearance Price $1.44

Boys' $1 All Wool Sweaters Heavy weight, in plain colors—sizes 24 to 32—choice at January Clearance Price 75c

Right Royal Reductions in Boys' New Winter Suits

January Clearance Sale will insure you a superb saving on the youngster's new suit. Prices blown to fragments. Details—

LOT ONE—Embraces Boys' Double Breasted Suits, Norfolks and Sailor Blouse Suits—in cheviots, cassimeres, serges and fancy Mixtures. Made for hard service. Sizes 3 to 16. Worth $5 and $6; January Clearance Price $3.90

LOT TWO—Embraces Boys' Norfolk Suits, Sailor Blouse and Double Breasted Suits. In cheviots, cassimeres and serges. Pretty, up-to-date garments in sizes 3 to 16. Worth $3.50 and $4, January Clearance Price $2.22

LOT THREE—Embraces Boys Double Breasted and Norfolk Suits. Materials are most reliable—workmanship—trimmings, finish of best quality. Sizes 3 to 16. Worth $2 and $2.50, January Clearance Price $1.90

Young Men's Suits: Very Special.

300 suits in the lot—smart, out-of-the-ordinary styles—in thibets, cassimeres, cheviots or fancy worsteds. Padded shoulders—narrow lapel—best linings—perfect in fit—full of dash and style—sizes 14 to 20, worth $10 and $12, January Clearance $7.90

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GREAT JANUARY SALE
OF MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS
MEANS A BONA FIDE PRICE REDUCTION OF 40 TO 50% ON FINE CUSTOM MADE GARMENTS

3000 MEN'S WINTER OVERCOATS

All sizes and a perfect FIT for EVERY size. In the season's fashionable materials and colors. Belted back or regular styles. Lengths extra long or three-quarter. Satin or silk lined. Roomy, comfortable garments—full of dash and beauty. REGULAR PRICES HERE, $18 to $24—YOUR PICK NOW AT January Clearance Price $14.90

2,500 MEN'S SUITS

The crowning triumph of bargain giving! Handsome, correct-fitting Suits—designed, cut and finished to meet Gusky requirements—hence perfect; in popular materials and colors; single or double breasted effects; all sizes. WERE $12 to $15, now reduced to January Clearance Price... $8.40

2,300 MEN'S SUITS

Comparable only to finest merchant tailors' productions. Exclusive, original styles — well-wearing, neat-appearing fabrics — 3 and 4 button coats — single or double-breasted effects. These suits are guaranteed equal to $20 and $30 garments advertised elsewhere — were $18 to $24 here, now go at January Clearance Price..... $15

GUSKY'S

BOYS' OVERCOATS ½ OFF

The Marked Price

This includes any and every Child's or Boys' Overcoat in our entire stock. Free, unrestricted choice of Boys' or Young Men's Belted Back Overcoats, Reefers and Short Overcoats. All new, this season's styles, that sold here at these low prices, $2.50 to $35.00. Now go at this unprecedented reduction of

Considering the fact our prices are much lower than elsewhere, this reduction is doubly important.

½ OFF the regular marked prices.

THIS SHOE CLEARANCE IS THE MIGHTIEST YET

Specials without number in Men's Women's and Children's footwear. Below we mention three items. They'll give a hint—a faint idea.

WOMEN'S $3.50 SHOES Nine complete lines in this assortment—shapely, perfect-fitting shoes—in button, lace or blucher cut, Patent Ideal Kid, Velour Calf or fine Black Kid are the materials—all the new toe and heel effects in wide variety. Suitable for either street or dress wear—reduced now from $3.50. Clearance Price $2.48

MEN'S $3.50 WINTER SHOES Strong, serviceable shoes, not too heavy for comfort—nor too light for cold weather. In Box and Velour Calf—hand welted, double soles—lace or blucher cut. Of regular stock—guaranteed for style, service and fit. Always brought $3.50 here—Clearance Price $2.48

MEN'S $1.50 SLIPPERS: REDUCED Easy, comfort-giving slippers that were usually cheap at regular price, $1.50. In bright or dull Dongola-Opera or Everett cut. Reduced for quick clearance to $1.19

WOMEN MIGHT HAVE HOPED FOR SUCH BARGAINS—BUT TO REALIZE THEM, NEVER!

Only since the Gusky Clearance Sale are savings on wearing apparel so pronounced, so unusual as to interest EVERY thrift-inclined woman. Hints:

WOMEN'S SUITS Odds and ends, in elegant handsome mixtures. Long coat styles, very becoming, serviceable garments—were $18.00 to $22.50. Clearance Price $12.98

No charge for Alterations.

WOMEN'S COATS Suitable for Misses as well. Box or military effects. Of best quality materials—matchless values at regular prices, $10.00 and $12.00. Clearance Price $5.00

WOMEN'S SHIRT WAIST SUITS Choice of either cloth or velvet in these sizes, 34, 36 and 38. At the former prices big bargains, $12.50 to $25—all go at Clearance Price $8.39

WOMEN'S MADRAS WAISTS Large number still to select from—extremely neat, becoming styles—were $1.25 to $2.50—slightly soiled from handling. Clearance Price 89c

WOMEN'S SUITS Odds and ends of rich, perfect fitting suits in desirable materials and colors. Regularly sold for $10.00, $12.00 and $15.00. Clearance Price $5.98

Nominal Charge for Alterations.

GIRLS' LONG COATS In cheviots, cassimeres and fashionable fabrics — smart, stylish appearing coats— sizes 6 to 14—were $12 and $15. Clearance Price $9.00

GIRLS' CASHMERE DRESSES Perfect assortment, made to our special order—in fine cashmeres—ages 6 to 14 years. Always sold for $5.00. Clearance Price $3.49

WOMEN'S FINE FURS Every Fur Scarf and Stole in stock marked at reduced prices. $40 and $50 ones, $25.00—$18.00 to $22.50, now $12.00—$10 and $12 ones, now $5.00—Black Coney Fur Scarfs, cluster of tails—Clearance Price 49c

Enormous Reductions in Price of Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps

Price cuts that well illustrate the tremendous bargain-giving capacity of our Great January Clearance Sale. What you may expect:

600 Men's Stiff and Soft Hats. Light colors predominate in Soft Hats—odds and ends that formerly sold for $1.50, $2 and $2.50. Stiff Hats — odds and ends that sold at $1.49 and $1.98—all bunched together—free choice of lot, at January Clearance Price $1.00

300 Men's Soft Hats. Odds and ends and small lots of this season's most popular styles—sold at $2.50 and $3—choice of lot at January Clearance Price $1.98

Men's $1.00 Double Band Yacht Caps—in heavy cloth—January Clearance Price, 63c. Men's 24c and 39c Double Band College Caps—in plain or fancy mixed cloth or corduroy—January Clearance Price 25c

Men's $3.50 Fur Caps—with pull down band—January Clearance Price $2.24

Children's 75c and $1.00 Golf Caps—with outside band; also fancy Turbans, Astrakhan trimmed, with ear tabs—were $1.00—all grouped together for fast selling at January Clearance Price 44c

Boys' 63c Astrakhan Cloth Yacht Caps, with double band all colors—January Clearance Price 39c

Children's $2 and $2.50 Tam O'Shanters—Astrakhan trimmed—odds and ends to close at Clearance Price 98c

Boys' and Children's 75c and 89c Heavy Wool Toques—double knit—in plain colors—January Clearance Price 59c

EXCEPTIONAL TRUNK AND BAG VALUES.

Lot of Fine Satchels, Club and Oxford Bags—ranging in price from $5 to $15, now go at 1-3 OFF THE MARKED PRICE.

Choice of Any Trunk in Our Stock that sells at $25 and over now go at January Clearance Price 1-4 OFF THE MARKED PRICES.

CONTRACT MUST BE LET PROMPTLY

Allegheny County Light Company Will Give City Short Lease of Time.

LIGHTS ARE NOT SHUT OFF

The city's four-year contract with the Allegheny County Light Company for street lighting expired last night at midnight, but the company yesterday notified Director Bigelow that it would not shut off the light, but would continue to furnish it until a new contract is made. Director Bigelow said yesterday that the company would continue to supply with light at the present rate of $80 per arc lamp until a new contract is made pending. It is let in about 30 days. The director yesterday received the following letter from President Callery of the Allegheny County Light Company:

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.

W. M. Bigelow, Director Department of Public Works:

Dear Sir: I beg to advise you in behalf of the Allegheny County Light Company that the present contract for lighting the city of Pittsburgh will expire January 1, 1904. Although there has been some delay in awarding the contract, the Allegheny County Light Company does not desire to take advantage of its position to shut off light without proper notice, fully realizing the possibility of danger to life and property by putting the city in darkness.

For the purpose of affording the city an opportunity to readvertise and award a contract, the company is willing to furnish light, provided the city acts promptly in the matter. We should, however, have an understanding with the city as to the payment for light furnished until the contract is awarded. Hoping to hear from you promptly in the matter, I remain, Yours very truly,

JAMES D. CALLERY, President.

Director Bigelow showed the letter to Controller Larkin, and the director stated that he would reply at once that the city would pay the company the existing rate until a new contract was awarded.

"I expect the contract to be awarded in 20 or 30 days," said the director. "Of course, it is understood that the company will wait only for a reasonable time. The company could not be expected to furnish the city with light at the present rate for an indefinite period.

"The ordinance authorizing the director to let a contract for one year, and at a maximum cost of $400,000, is in common council. It is the general opinion that the company will present a higher bid for one year than four years, and for this reason would not be willing to accept present rates until a new contract was let, if councils should delay the passage of the ordinance indefinitely. The ordinance will come up in common council on January 11 and will probably pass finally. It will then have to wait until January 25 before it can be passed by select council unless that body holds an extra session.

Director Bigelow has furnished Controller Larkin with the number of arc lamps in the city, showing that there are about 3,600, for which the city pays 200 apiece.

ORCHESTRA CONCERT.

Pianist Lemare Occupies a Conspicuous Position on the Program.

The Pittsburgh orchestra, conducted by Victor Herbert, will give its ninth concert of the season in Carnegie Music hall this evening. Edwin H. Lemare occupies a conspicuous position on the program as composer and soloist, as follows:

Overture, Scherzo and Finale, op. 32.....Schumann
Concerto for organ and orchestra in A Minor, op. 26.....Enrico Bossi
Rhapsody (no. orchestra).....
Caprice Orientale (new).....Lemare
(First performance.)
For organ:
Pastorale Rustique.....Wolstenholme
Introduction and Fugue.....Rheinberger
(From a sonata descriptive of the 94th Psalm.)
Ballet music from "Le Cid."
Arragonese.
Andante.
Navarraise.....Massenet

New Postoffices Recommended.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Postmaster General Payne in his annual report will call the attention of congress to the necessity of additional postoffice buildings in New York city and for an additional building in this city to quarter branches of the postoffice department. The postmaster general will point to the great congestion in the mail service in New York and urge legislation carrying into effect the commission's recommendations.

Mrs. Roosevelt at Theater.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by Miss Carow, Miss Ethel Roosevelt and Masters Theodore and Kermit, occupied the presidential box at the new National theater tonight, when Miss Sir Henry Irving's performance of "Waterloo" and "The Bells." Mrs. Roosevelt was presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses by Mr. Irving.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Fred N. Funk	Allegheny
Barbara Bailey	Allegheny
Paul Krause	Pittsburgh
Martha Justice	Pittsburgh
John P. Corkan	Pittsburgh
Margaret V. McGraw	Pittsburgh
Mervin C. Storer	Morgan
Malissa R. Cladden	Canonsburg
Isaac Sidney	Pittsburgh
Sarah Goldfist	Pittsburgh
William Pfaff	McKeesport
Mc C. Anthony	Castle Shannon
William B. Swartz	Butler
Annie McAdoock	Allegheny
Lewis Hamilton	McKeesport
Mabel Putnam	McKeesport
Edward H. Ward	Emsworth
Ada Bean	Emsworth
Robert S. Neill, jr.	Cranberry, N. J.
Katherine M. Peth	Bedver
A. W. Engel	Allegheny
Florence M. Eicha	Pittsburgh
Jamie Haymo	Pittsburgh
Ada James	Coraopolis
James Evans	Coraopolis
Carrie M. Schwartz	Morgantown, W. Va.
	Perryeville

SOCIETY

WITH stately grace and brilliancy, the season was ushered in with the opening of the entire club house and last night ushered in the New Year. The climax of the social and annual ball at the Pittsburgh club, the entertainment of their friends by the members of the Pittsburgh club. There was a pause in the midst of the dancing, as the amid passing of the second marked the dying of the Old Year and the ushering in of the new, and then the musicians held again to their task and the ball was resumed with increased animation, continuing until the morning hours. The entire club house was thrown open for this occasion, and the wives of the governors of the club received the receiving group including Mrs. William Nimick Frew, Mrs. Henry Robinson Rea and Mrs. J. Walter Rhodes. Mrs. Frew wore a handsome gown of pink satin trimmed with point lace. Mrs. Rea was in cream-tinted silk, embroidered in silver, and Mrs. Rhodes wore white net over satin and trimmed in silver. As in former years the decorations commenced at the very entrance of the club house, increasing in beauty as the guests approached the ballroom. Palms and smilax decorated the foyer. Mantels were banked throughout the club house with small ferns and long growing tropical plants. Lights were prettily shaded, and holly, poinsetta and flowers appeared in profusion throughout the different apartments. The decorations culminated in the ballroom. From the ceiling hung huge red balls, horns of plenty filled with red flowers, fancy baskets filled with poinsetta and bunches of tiny crimson immortelles. Smilax adorned the upper portion of the crystal chandelier. The sides of the stage were covered with smilax, a bank of towering palms completely concealing the musicians. Ropes of laurel hung in graceful loops between the tall white pillars, which were wreathed with laurel. Wreaths of holly appeared over the doorways between arches and in the windows in the ballroom and the reception rooms. Flowers and holiday decorations also prevailed in the supper rooms. Two cotillion figures were danced, the first being led by Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Rhodes and Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Rea, and the second by William J. Patton, Mrs. Frew presided over the favors, assisted by several friends. The favors were arranged upon tables and rush screens. For the first figure the favors for the ladies consisted of gaily colored parasols, while wands, capped with huge paper snowballs and tied with long ribbons, together with boutonniers of tinsel and crimson paper, were presented the gentlemen. There were dainty Bo-Peep hats and canes with long streamers for the ladies and picturesque cocked hats for the men in the second figure.

Dance in Honor of Miss Macbeth.

Miss Helen Macbeth, was honor guest at the dance given last evening by Mrs. James Hay Reed of Amherson avenue. James H. Reed, jr., opened the cotillion with Miss Macbeth. Two figures were danced just after supper. The favors were flowers, and after the cotillion Mrs. Reed announced, as a surprise to her guests, that there would be a supper dance. In addition to the 20 dances on the cards, a number of extras were danced, the young men ably waiting to be asked by the girls. The house party being entertained by Judge and Mrs. Reed is composed of friends of Miss Katherine Reed and James H. Reed, jr., the men of the party being classmates of Mr. Reed at Princeton. The party includes Miss Marguerite Sands of Fort Mead, S. D., Miss Jane Gilpin of Columbia, Pa., Miss Jane Randolph of Baltimore, Miss Emma Boggs of Allegheny, and her house guest, Miss Grace Tillotson, both of whom are remaining in the East End over the New Year; Joseph Stewart of Uniontown, Harold Bradley of Montclair, N. J.; Lawrence Watress of Scranton and Robert Bingham and Charles Latham of Indianapolis. Mrs. George A. Macbeth of Amberson avenue gave a handsomely appointed dinner last evening for the house party, and yesterday afternoon Miss Anica Humbird entertained at a very informal luncheon for the girls. For the reception which Judge and Mrs. Reed will give this evening, a large number of invitations have been issued. Mr. and Mrs. David Aiken Reed will receive with them.

Music and Readings.

The Thursday Afternoon club held a delightful meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Keller in East Liberty, Wilkinsburg. It was a purely social gathering. Receiving with Mrs. Keller were Mrs. Fremont P. Livingston, Miss Ida Carmack and Miss Elsie Goldie, who were joint hostesses. The presence of several out-of-town guests increased the attendance, which yesterday included a number of ladies beside the members of the club, each one of whom was permitted one additional guest. Visitors from out of town included Mrs. E. Wybrick and Mrs. Charles Wybrick of Alliance, O., the mother and sister of Mrs. Livingston, and Mrs. H. W. Kennedy and Mrs. Wilfred B. Goldie, the sister and sister-in-law of the Misses Goldie.

The program opened with a piano duet by Miss Charlotte Atkinson and Miss Olive Bulger, followed by readings by Miss Helen Pershing from "Rudder Grange" and a reading in dialect entitled "The Conversion of America." There were songs by Miss McFall, also solo by Miss Kate Keller and readings by Mrs. Simpson. Tea was served by the hostesses, assisted by several young girls.

Ball at Concordia Club.

Just as 1903 passed and 1904 appeared on the threshold of time the dining room of the Concordia club was illuminated by small Christmas lights bearing the greeting, "Happy New Year." About 300 guests were seated at the supper tables, under numberless tiny electric globes strung from pillar to pillar, the lights shimmering from the midst of laurel wreaths. The New Year's ball at the club is always a brilliant affair, and last evening's entertainment was no exception. But one debutante, Miss Amy Falk, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Falk of Locust street, Allegheny, was introduced. The ballroom of the club was prettily decorated with laurel, ropes of the dark green leaves being suspended from corner to corner, from the central chandelier to the walls, and across the front of the stage, which was filled with palms. Palms were placed in the foyer and reception rooms of the club.

Among future club events will be the dance which Mrs. Henry Jackson of the East End will give next Wednesday. Miss Edna Goldsmith of Braddock and Miss Jeannette Herzog of Allegheny will give a flower dance on January 12.

Westinghouse Man Weds.

A very pretty holiday wedding took place last night in Avalon at the home of the bride's father, William H. Covert, when Miss Mary A. Covert and Edward F. Robinson were united in marriage by the Rev. J. Allison Platt, pastor of the Central Presbyterian church of Allegheny. There were present 40 guests, all relatives and immediate friends of the families. Miss Alice Covert, a sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Joseph F. Robinson, a cousin of the bridegroom, was best man. After the wedding supper, which followed the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson left for their home in Swissvale, which is shortly to be furnished. Mr. Robinson is employe of the Westinghouse Electric Company, having been connected with the claim department for about seven years.

Wegener—Moorhead.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated in the parlors of the Colonial hotel last evening in which Miss Agnes Wegener, daughter of Mrs. Hannah Wegener of Ellsworth and Forest, and George Moorhead of Beaver, Pa., were united in marriage. The service was said by the Rev. Paul Weyand of Pittsburgh. The bride is a graduate of the Northwestern university, '01, and of the University of Michigan, '02, and has resided in Evanston for several years past, she is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. Forest G. Moorhead, the bridegroom, is a graduate of the Northwestern university law school, '03, and is now junior member of the firm of Weyand & Moorhead, attorneys, Beaver, Pa. The young couple left for an extended wedding tour, through the east and will be at home in Beaver, Pa., after February 15.

Among the guests present at the wedding were Mr. Joe Mitchell Chappel, editor of the National Magazine of Boston, and wife; Edwin S. Weyand of Beaver, Pa., and the Rev. Paul Weyand of Pittsburgh.

Had Two Honor Guests.

Mrs. William J. Gilmore and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Gilmore of Center avenue gave a large reception yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Ralph Richards, who was Miss Anna Curry, and to her daughter, last summer, and also for Miss Gilmore's house guest, Miss Sadye Sherrer of Easton, Pa. Mrs. Gilmore, her daughter and the two honor guests received together and were assisted by Mrs. Edward R. Munro, Mrs. Robert W. Kiser, Mrs. Robert M. Russell, Miss Anna McKee, Miss Olive Munroe, Miss Jean Bunton and her house guest, Miss Anne Sloan of St. Paul, Minn. The hours were from 3 until 6 o'clock. Each member of the receiving party carried a bouquet of roses, some of pink and some of white. Mrs. Gilmore received in a gown of black crepe. Miss Gilmore wore white net over white crepe and Mrs. Richards appeared in her wedding gown of white crepe de chine.

Mrs. Verner's Dance.

Social interest of the student set was centered in Mrs. Clifton A. Verner's dance last evening for her son, Alexander Verner. The young honor guest, who is a student at Blair hall, Blairstown, N. J., led the first of two figures which were danced before supper. Clarence Peacock leading the other. Little satchel bags, satin pin cushions and Japanese fans were given to the girls as favors, tape measures with fancy covers, Japanese spiders and horns, mouthorgans and all sorts of like instruments to the boys, who noisily ushered in the New Year. Mrs. Alexander R. Peacock, Mrs. Daniel M. Clemson and Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Verner's sister, assisted her in distributing the favors. After supper the entertainment took the form of a leap year dance. Mrs. Verner is overlooking for her sister, Miss Cora Wilson, as her house guest.

McBride—Cowan.

A pretty home wedding took place last Wednesday noon, uniting Miss Golda E. McBride and Will C. Cowan, at the home of the bride's parents in Imperial, Pa. There were no attendants save the lower bevels. Miss Olive Wilson of Burgettstown and Louis Eugene Cowan of Gebo, Montana, the four-year-old nephew of the bridegroom. The service was performed by the Rev. T. A. Gibson, pastor of the Robinson United Presbyterian church. After the wedding luncheon the couple departed for an extended trip through the southwest and will visit Colorado, California and various western points before they go to their new home in Montana. After February 1 they will be at home to their friends at Gebo, Montana. The bride is a graduate of Bozeman college, Montana.

Verein Frohsinn Celebrated.

The Verein Frohsinn held its annual New Year's celebration in the Verein's hall, 422-424 Sixth avenue, last night. About 200 members of the society and their families were present. The society sang "To the Art," and other songs, and the remainder of the program consisted of solos by Louis Vierheller and Fritz Koch, and a violin selection by Emil Klueplen. Ferdinand Berg was in charge of the music and a committee consisting of M. Rosenkrantz, H. W. Brecht, George Neubert, G. C. Hoch and Christ Dimling had charge of the refreshments. A Christmas tree was lighted down with presents for members of the society, which were distributed after the opening of the new year. After that came the dancing.

A Wedding of the New Year.

The wedding of Miss Mary Rena Beatty, daughter of Mrs. Joseph F. Denniston of Denniston avenue, East End, and Rufus Lincoln Suter is set for Monday. The ceremony, which is to take place at the home of the bride's mother, will be performed by the Rev. J. H. McIlvaine of Calvary Protestant Episcopal church, and will be witnessed only by the immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom. There will be no attendants. After a wedding trip to Florida Mr. Suter and his bride will reside in Wood street, Wilkinsburg. Mr. and Mrs. James R. Mellon will give a small dinner for the young couple Saturday evening.

Andrew Carnegie Naturalists Club.

The Andrew Carnegie Naturalists' club will meet in the lecture room of the Carnegie Institute Saturday afternoon. The classes will meet promptly at 2 o'clock, and the general meeting will be called to order at 3. There will be a question box, and each member is requested to hand in some question relating to natural history which he would like answered. Members are also asked to bring specimens of any kind pertaining to natural history which they wish named or think would interest the club. Francis J. Koch is president of the club and Raymond S. Dornberger is secretary.

Commandery Reception Changed.

The next reception of the drill corps of Tancred Commandery, Knights Templar, will be held on Tuesday evening, January 12, instead of the following evening, January 13, as previously arranged. This reception, the third in the series this season, will be conducted in the South Highland auditorium. In addition to the general reception and dancing card, tables will be arranged for euchre, the game commencing at 8:30 o'clock and continuing until 10:30. The prizes will be more elaborate than those given at the previous receptions and euchres of the commandery this winter.

Kelley—Dishman.

The wedding of W. McKee Kelley of Pittsburgh and Miss Anna Lee Dishman was solemnized at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. A. K. Cook, in Pineville, Ky., on Christmas eve, the Rev. Franklin Mahoney of Marion, O., officiating. The bride's only attendant was Miss Ida Gladys Moes. Glen G. Wallace of Pittsburgh was the best man. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley left immediately after the ceremony for a western trip, and will be at home in Pittsburgh after January 15.

Entre Nous Club.

Yesterday afternoon the ladies of the "Entre Nous" club of Sewickley and the East End and the Fancy Work club of Aspinwall were entertained by Mrs. L. L. McClelland in Aspinwall, as a farewell to Mrs. Frank Smith, who leaves next week to live in Delaware, O. Mrs. McClelland also gave a dinner of 10 covers in the evening for Mrs. Smith. Among the dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Trimble, Helen Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. William Fotianshee, Robert Phillips, J. L. Andersen and Andrew Miller.

Edgeworth Club Ball.

The largest affair in the valley during the holidays was the ball given last evening by the directors of the Edgeworth club of Sewickley in the club house. It was in charge of Charles Doyle, Howard Shaw and Theodore Nevin, and there were about 300 guests. The patronesses included Mrs. William McGeaton, Mrs. Alfred B. Harlow, Mrs. George H. Christy, Mrs. Robert Wardrop, Mrs. James Ritchey, Mrs. George H. McCague, Mrs. Christian L. Shannon, Mrs. Dudley T. Liggett and Mrs. J. Frederick Haworth.

First Leap Year Dance.

The younger set of Wilkinsburg society indulged in a leap year dance last night in the assembly hall. The girls undertook the management and expense of the entertainment themselves. The young women included Miss V. M. Weaver, Miss Adele Chevreux, Miss Nichols, Miss M. Fleus, Miss Vetta Goehring, Miss Lulu Miller, Miss Kitzmuller and Miss Lowa Brannell. Mrs. Brannel, Mrs. Fleus, Mrs. Kitzmuller and Mrs. H. McIntosh were the patronesses.

Grace—Brennan.

Miss Anna Grace, daughter of Mrs. Anna Grace of Sharon, was married yesterday to Dr. C. A. Brennan, the ceremony taking place at the new residence recently erected by the bridegroom in East State street. The Rev. Father McAdam of Sacred Heart church officiated. The wedding was a quiet affair and the bride and bridegroom were unattended. Mr. Brennan is well known in Sharon.

Elks' Annual Ball.

About 200 couples attended the Elks' annual New Year's ball at the Elk Home, Fifth avenue, last night. After midnight the ball was changed to a leap year party, with a confetti battle in the dancing hall. The committee in charge was composed of Frank H. McCarthy, W. H. Robinson, Saul Susman, I. W. Morrow and E. J. Joyce.

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$20 neckpiece $14.50
$26 neckpiece $17.50
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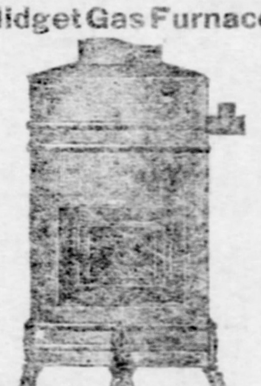

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Appeals from the triennial assessment of 1904, for the following districts: Hays borough, Spring Garden borough, Fine township, Second ward, Millvale, First ward, Carnegie, January 4, 1904. Harrison township, South Versailles township, Elizabeth township, Marshall township, Kilbuck township, January 5, 1904, will be held at this office until January 4, 1904.

Old Year Went Out Without Anything Startling in Oil Fields

So far as the lower southwest fields were concerned the old year went out without any flourish or a gusher in any quarter. The only large well is the Lower southwest celebrated for one day by dropping its production to 647 barrels.

In Troy Grove district, in Harrison county, the Patterson Fork Oil Company has drilled in a gusher that is producing 95 barrels the first 24 hours. In the Cline district, the South Penn Oil Company has drilled its test on the G. W. West farm into the Gordon pay and the well produced a good showing. Other recently drilled wells are not in the sand, in the same district the South Penn has completed its No. 10 on the J. C. Davis farm and has a light pumper. The Northwest of the Fink Creek district, in Lewis county, the South Penn company has drilled its test on the Catherine Fahey farm into the fifth sand and has a show for a producer.

On the east side of the Pine Grove extension the South Penn has completed its No. 6 on the Linn Lemaster farm and has a 10-barrel gusher. The same company has drilled its second test on the A. T. Morris farm into the sand 25 feet and the hole is filled up 500 feet with fluid. In the Smithfield district the South Penn gave its No. 3 on the Gibson-Peterson farm a small flood. But it failed to get sand. In the same district No. 8 on the Patrick O'Leary farm has been drilled into the pay and produces 20 barrels the first 24 hours. On the Northeast end of the Folson district the South Penn drilled No. 3 M. E. Day farm into the stray 48 feet and increased its gas pressure, but developed no oil. The same company's second test on the Catherine Fahey 1,100 feet in the stray and not showing oil.

Near Bolton, Marshall county, the South Penn has given its No. 2 on the Lewis Bixly farm a boom on the Gordon sand, the hole filled up 1,500 feet with fluid. In the Panola Creek district, in Pitchie county, the Carter Oil Company has completed its test on the W. M. Curtis farm and has a duster in the Keener and Big Injun sands.

In the Ninevah district, Greene county, the Syndicate Oil Company has drilled in its test on the William Gray farm, and the hole filled up with fluid 1,000 feet the first hour. It is showing for a production.

On the Ohio side in the Trail Run district, near Antioch, Monroe county, the Arg Oil Company has drilled in its well on the W. C. Fowler 40 acres and has a show for a 15-barrel pumper in the Big Injun sand. In the Jackson Ridge field the same company has completed No. 1 on the W. C. Fowler farm and has a 10-barrel pumper in the Big Injun sand.

In the Hays Run district, in Washington county, C. C. Stover completed his test on the McLaughlin farm and has a 5-barrel pumper in the Big Injun sand.

In Morgan county, near Malden, the Midland company has drilled its No. 210 on the S. B. Dale tract through the sand and has a duster. In the same district, the Cumberland Oil Company has completed its No. 8 on the O. M. Lovell farm and got a gusher in the salt sand.

Shipments and Runs.

Shipments and runs of the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana fields:

PENNSYLVANIA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
December 30...	55,020	December 29...	100,178
Previously	2,199,581	Previously	1,965,105
Total.....	2,254,600	Total.....	2,065,283
Daily average.	74,146	Daily average.	70,630

INDIANA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
December 30...	66,776	December 29...	65,196
Previously	2,041,832	Previously	1,467,025
Total.....	2,008,167	Total.....	1,532,212
Daily average.	68,967	Daily average.	52,865

The Oil Market.

The Standard quotes credit balances in the various fields as follows: Tiona, $2 00; Pennsylvania $1 85; Corning, $1 05; New Castle, $1 12; North Lima, $1 30; South Lima and Indiana, $1 81; White House and Somerset, $1 90; Raglan, 60c. The Producers and Refiners Oil Company quotes $1 90 for Pennsylvania oil.

OIL CITY, PA., Dec. 31.—Credit balances, $1 85; shipments, 85,000 barrels; average, 74,146 barrels; runs, 100,178 barrels; average, 70,630 barrels. Shipments, Lima, 68,175 barrels; average, 68,910 barrels; runs, Lima, 65,100 barrels; average, 52,889 barrels.

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Fast Line, daily	10:00 a. m.
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Harrisburg Express, daily	12:55 p. m.
Philadelphia Express, daily	4:30 p. m.
Eastern Express, daily	7:00 p. m.
Pittsburgh and Philadelphia Special, daily, via Columbia	7:00 p. m.
Pittsburgh and Philadelphia Express, daily, via Columbia	8:00 p. m.
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ALPHA TERRACE, 24—Nicely furnished room; private family; Highland cars to Hays street.

ALLEN ST., 1905—Gentleman wishes roommate for suite; references exchanged.

CRAIG ST.—Between Fifth and Bayard; two pleasant rooms, second floor; good table board; near all car lines; two large pass door; suitable for married couple or two gentlemen. Address G 94, The Gazette.

CARROLL ST., 234—Furnished rooms for ladies or couple; all conveniences; $9 month.

COLLEGE AVE., 710—Nicely furnished rooms; gentlemen; modern conveniences; convenient location.

COLLINS AVE., 253—Four furnished rooms; young men only.

DAUPHIN ST., 5315, near Atlantic ave.—Two furnished rooms; light housekeeping; conveniences.

EUCLID AVE., 621, NORTH, East End, nicely furnished room; all conveniences.

HALKET ST., 235—Gentlemen or second floor front room; good home; board.

HARVARD ST., 5826—Furnished rooms; gentlemen only; near Highland and Penn aves.

HIGHLAND AVE., 225, South—Furnished second-floor room; best table board.

HIGHLAND AVE., 253, SOUTH—Nicely furnished rooms; bath; both gases.

KIRKWOOD ST., 5709—Corner Whitfield; furnished rooms; every convenience; near Highland and Penn aves.

LANG AVE., 527 South—One or more furnished or unfurnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences.

LEHIGH AVE., 229—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; splendid location.

LEHIGH AVE., 238—Nicely furnished, with board; every convenience; splendid location.

LEHIGH AVE., 225—Nicely furnished second-story front alcova room; all conveniences.

MADISON AVE., 8215—Well furnished front room; alcove; conveniences; near cars; excellent board next door.

MARCHAND ST., 6443—Furnished room; $6 per month.

MARCHAND ST., 6328—Second story room, nicely furnished, heated by furnace and gas; reasonable to gentlemen.

MARCHAND ST., 6251—Large front room; alcove; conveniences. Bell 'phone J. East 2279.

MARYLAND AVE., 650—Large front room, nicely furnished, in private family; also small room; all conveniences.

NEVILLE ST., 500, corner Bayard—Large, well-furnished room; every convenience; best of board; refined surroundings; Bell 'phone.

NORTH EUCLID AVE., 416, E. E.—For rent, furnished rooms for light housekeeping.

NORTH EUCLID, 421—Nicely furnished rooms, all conveniences; splendid location; reasonable.

PRINCETON PLACE, 327½, EAST END—Two furnished rooms on third floor, mansard. Board if desired.

SHADY AVE., 210—Furnished alcove front room for gentleman; private family; all conveniences.

SHADY AVE., 269—Nicely furnished rooms, all conveniences private family; desirable location.

SHADY AVE., 248—One room, second floor; board; near cars and station.

SIMON AVE.—Two nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; convenient location. Address N 86, The Gazette.

ST. CLAIR ST., 311 N., E. E.—Large, comfortable room, suitable for one or two persons.

STATION ST., 6219—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience.

STRATTON LANE, 2, between Emerson and Negley, Highland—Furnished rooms, $2; board if desired.

WALNUT ST., 6106—Second-story room, suitable for gentlemen; references exchanged.

WANTED—Two or four young men or refinement who are willing to pay a fair price to make their home in a refined private family; College ave., near Ellsworth st. Address K 75, The Gazette.

WARD ST., 2428—Two pleasantly furnished rooms; all conveniences; Atwood car; board.

Allegheny.

ANDERSON ST., 200—Two connecting furnished rooms for light housekeeping; gases; $5 week.

ARCH ST., 709—Furnished rooms, one front; both gases, bath, etc.; 5 minutes Ft. Wayne depot.

ARCH ST., 508—Nicely furnished front room; every convenience; splendid location.

ARCH ST., 1309—Furnished rooms with board, conveniences; Charles st. car.

ARCH ST., 802—Neatly furnished rooms, all conveniences, near Ohio st.

BRIGHTON ROAD, 100—Elegantly furnished room, with board; all conveniences; near Washington ave.

CEDAR AVE., 804—Two furnished rooms, bath, gases, etc., facing park.

CHARLES ST., 144—Furnished rooms with board for two people; $32 month.

CHARLES ST., 53—Four unfurnished rooms, two hall rooms; gas and water, $14 month.

EAST OHIO ST., 712—Furnished room for light housekeeping; conveniences; gentlemen preferred.

EAST OHIO ST., 1120—Large furnished front rooms and kitchen; light housekeeping; gases, bath; private family, also front room for gentlemen.

E. NORTH AVE., 10—Elegantly furnished rooms; all conveniences; near Federal st.

E. MONTGOMERY, 209—Furnished front room facing park; housekeeping if desired.

E. ROBINSON ST., 29—Two furnished rooms; bath; both gases; hot water.

ESPLANADE ST., 1215, near North ave.—Elegantly furnished front rooms, with board; every convenience, very reasonable.

FEDERAL ST., 1203—Two connecting rooms; all conveniences; two gentlemen or couple.

FREMONT ST., 1502—Furnished room, all conveniences; cars pass door.

FOR RENT—Two second-floor rooms, furnished for light housekeeping; both gases; eight minutes to Sixth and Liberty; two car lines; just papered and painted; $18 month. 912 Grant ave., Allegheny.

HAMILTON PLACE, 15 (near Charles)—Neatly furnished rooms; conveniences; references exchanged.

HARRISON AVE., 205, Avalon—Two rooms for light housekeeping; $10, or half of nine-room house.

HEMLOCK ST., 117—Furnished room, gases, bath; private family, near Sandusky st.

JACKSON ST., 224—Furnished room; bath, gases, hot water; with or without board.

MASON AVE., 513—Newly furnished front or back parlor; all conveniences; gentlemen preferred.

MORRISON AVE., 1114—Two connecting furnished rooms; all conveniences; three doors from car.

MORRISON AVE., 1106—Two connecting furnished rooms; bath, gases, 'phone; Bellevue car.

NORTH AVE., WEST, 406, nicely furnished room; every convenience; splendid location.

NORTH AVE., 567 W. (Cor. Grant)—Two connecting furnished rooms; gases; bath; three or four gentlemen.

NORTH AVE., WEST, 406—Nicely furnished room; every convenience; splendid location.

NORTH DIAMOND 111, West—Nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping.

NORTH WEST, 808—Nicely furnished rooms, private family.

PALO ALTO, 1206—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping; conveniences; 5 minutes Fort Wayne depot.

POPLAR ST., 1218—Large furnished room; suitable for gentlemen; bath, both gases.

REBECCA ST., 1007—Newly furnished front room, with or without board.

REBECCA ST., 807—Furnished room, both gases, bath; for two gentlemen.

RESACA ST., 1005—Nicely furnished rooms with board; all conveniences, $5.50 week.

RIDGE AVE., 603—Two neatly furnished rooms, bath, gases; for three gentlemen.

RIDGE AVE., 1183—Two furnished or unfurnished rooms; bath, gases, laundry; no children.

RUSH ST., 1183, two doors from Sedgwick—Two neatly furnished rooms; $10 month.

SANDUSKY ST., 912—Near Montgomery; bath room; gases; bath privileges; $1.50 week.

SHERMAN AVE., 1210, Allegheny—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping.

TAGGART ST., 57—Furnished room; gas, etc.; Charles st. car; $8 week.

UNION AVE., 605—Nicely furnished rooms with board; every convenience; splendid location.

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS.

Allegheny.

W. NORTH AVE., 412—Two furnished rooms; one front, one back; all conveniences.

W. NORTH AVE., 911—Two furnished rooms, all conveniences; near Grant ave.

WASHINGTON AVE., 514—Two furnished rooms; bath, laundry; both gases; on car line.

WASHINGTON ST., 526—Large newly furnished front room; also back room; gases, bath, hot water.

WASHINGTON ST., 606, near Cedar—Furnished rooms bath, gases, hot water, etc.

WESTERN AVE., 851—Neatly furnished rooms; all conveniences; near park; gentlemen preferred.

WEST PARK WAY, 15—Furnished room for light housekeeping.

FOR RENT—UNFURNISHED ROOMS.

City and Suburban.

GREEN ST., 200, Wilkinsburg—Three unfurnished rooms to let; rates very reasonable.

PENN AVE., 525, Wilkinsburg—Three furnished and one unfurnished room, all conveniences.

PENN AVE., 503, Wilkinsburg—Two furnished or unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping.

East End.

MURTLAND AVE., 1003—Three large unfurnished rooms; all conveniences; near car line.

Allegheny.

CARINET ST., 1008—Two unfurnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences.

IRWIN AVE., 1221, three unfurnished rooms, second floor, all conveniences; terms moderate.

MONITOR AVE., third door from California ave., Avalon—Unfurnished rooms; new house; conveniences.

ROOMS AND BOARD.

City and Suburban.

FRANKLIN AVE., 812, Wilkinsburg—For rent, nicely furnished room, with meals, every convenience; near station.

HOTEL CARTER, Wylie ave., 1203—Nice furnished rooms, new first-class restaurant.

LIBERTY AVE., 5106—Dining room and restaurant; home cooking; table boarders wanted.

SHERIDAN AVE., 530—Rooms and board; terms reasonable. Bell 'phone 872-J East.

East End.

COLLEGE AVE., 710—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; good table board; convenient location.

HAILMAN ST., 324, near Marchand—Large furnished front room; every convenience; board.

KEDRON AVE., 7127—Nice large front alcove room, with board if desired.

PRINCETON PLACE, 3585½—Large furnished front room; best location; near good board.

SHADY AVE., 825—For rent furnished rooms and first-class board; all conveniences.

THE ARLINGTON, Sheridan and Hoeveller streets; rooms, meal tickets; Highland ave. cars. Bell phone, 5063-J East.

WALNUT ST., 5708—Excellent location; well-furnished rooms; good home board. F. & A. 813-X.

Allegheny.

SANDUSKY ST., 808—Wanted—Roomers and boarders; every convenience.

WANTED—ROOMS.

COUPLE with 3-year-old daughter, giving up housekeeping April 1st, want rooms and board, city or country; must be first-class; reference given. Address L 28, The Gazette.

WANTED—Two well-furnished connected rooms for light housekeeping; no children. Address 469 Smith block.

WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD.

WANTED—Brother and sister want rooms with private family in Allegheny, where breakfast and supper can be obtained; no other roomers desired. Address L 3, The Gazette.

FOR RENT.

City and Suburban Residences.

To Let—Small Dwellings, centrally located, 416 Twenty-fourth street, two rooms, $7.50 per month.
6 Liberty street, two rooms, $8.50 per month.
1617 Quince alley, four rooms, $12 per month.
Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co., 327-329 Fourth Avenue.

FOR RENT—711 Magee st.—Four-room apartment, hall, gases, etc.; $24 per month. Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co., 327-329 Fourth ave.

FOR RENT—521—Nice 5 room brick house, range, bath, porches, etc., good location, immediate possession. Robinson, Bruckman & McClelland, corner Brushton ave. and Tioga st. Tel. 5035-J East.

East End Residences.

FOR RENT.
Send card for list of houses and apartments for rent and map of East End, free.
W. H. LLOYD,
No. 5022 Penn ave., E. E.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

SEND postal for complete rent list of East End houses. J. W. SHERRER, 6106 Penn ave.

Allegheny Residences.

HOLLYWOOD PLACE.
Lamont st., 4-room brick, bath, w. c. range, hot water, gases, $22.50 per month.
UNION REALTY CO.,
Penn Ave. and Ninth St.

Manufacturing Space.

FOR RENT—In Liberty ave., near Fifteenth st., space suitable for light manufacturing or for wholesale business; rent low.
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311 Fourth ave.

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FOR RENT—$10—Best desk room offer in Pittsburgh; call for particulars.
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541 Wood st.

DESK ROOM—Fick building; desk and telephone privilege. Inquire room 2, 426 Diamond street, city.

Offices.

OFFICES—Two furnished offices. 414 Third ave., opposite postoffice.

FOR SALE.

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FOR SALE—$4,500; $200 cash, balance $35 per month; best home offer in Pittsburgh; a brand new 8-room brick, on a fine paved street, worth $5,500; offered at $4,500 on above easy terms; note what you get—hardwood reception hall, sliding doors, hardwood cabinet mantels and tile hearths, cemented cellar, laundry with tubs and hot and cold water, furnace, chandeliers, gas range, bath room with bath, inside closet and washstand; papered throughout; front and rear porches; cement sidewalks, fine level lot 25x93 feet; lawn graded and sodded; this house guaranteed well built of best material and workmanship; fine neighborhood; best offer in Pittsburgh. Take Frankstown ave. or Hamilton ave. cars to Homewood ave., walk north on Homewood a square to Upland st.
HOME TRUST CO.,
541 Wood st.

$3,300
House in Wilkinsburg, on paved and sewered street; solid brick, one-half square from electric cars; 6 nice rooms, good finished attic, bath, w. c., hot and cold water; lot 50x135.

$2,600
In another part of town, on paved and sewered street, less than one-half square from street cars, nice house, hall, 7 rooms; cheap at this price.
GEO. R. LAUMAN, 434 Fourth ave.

ATTRACTIVE OAKLAND HOME.
$7,000—Small cash payment and remainder mortgage; on these easy terms will sell attractive two-story frame dwelling, with bath, both gases, furnace, laundry, other conveniences; 2 porches; 101 52x146; fronts on asphalt-paved street.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Price $2,800, no cash down, $25 each month, 6-room house with bath. Take West Park, McKees Rocks, cars to Wayne ave., go down Wayne ave. two squares to No. 232 Grove st.

FOR SALE—
TWO NICE 8-ROOM BRICK
Dwellings, at Wilkinsburg, 2 minutes from P. R. station; bath, toilet and all other of the more recent improvements.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

East End Residences.

FOR SALE—Shadyside house, choice location and very reasonable.
J. H. ELDER & CO.,
415 Fourth ave.

Employers!
If you want help of any kind communicate with The Gazette's Free Bureau of Employment.

FOR SALE.

East End Residences.

ONLY $8,000.
Nice 8-room brick house in Point Breeze district; fine location; handy to cars, surrounded by high-class residences; house contains all conveniences; hot and cold water; furnace, laundry, natural gas, etc.; can be bought on reasonable terms, cash payment and mortgage for the difference at 5 per cent; an exceptional opportunity to get a cheap house in a high-priced neighborhood.
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311 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
A HANDSOME SHADYSIDE RESIDENCE of 12 spacious rooms, library, smoking parlor, 2 baths, toilet, furnace, instantaneous heater; and in first-class condition throughout; wide porch spans entire front; large lot, side entrance.
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425 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
A FINE CENTER HALL
Residence and large lot, in Squirrel hill district, 10 large rooms, 3 baths, toilets, furnace, instantaneous heater, hardwood finish and replete otherwise with all modern appliances.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

Allegheny Residences.

FOR SALE—
IN ALLEGHENY.
A 10-room brick dwelling, bath, etc., and two lots, 45x127 feet, on alley; close to the parks; most desirable location.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
TWO NICE BRICK DWELLINGS,
In Arch street, Allegheny; both near the parks; 8 and 9 rooms, respectively; baths, etc.
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425 Fourth ave.

Real Estate—Special.

A GOOD AND SAFE INVESTMENT.
EMICH APARTMENT BUILDING
Emich — The most modern and best appointed apartment building in Allegheny, the EMICH APARTMENTS, 204-206 North ave., is offered for sale. Building contains 24 suites of 4 rooms and bath each; electric lighting panel and hot water heating system, elevator, 2 gas engines, 2 dynamos; hardwood finish, mosaic floors in hall, handsome entrance; fronts on one of Allegheny's beautiful parks. Rents for $11,000 per annum. Will sell for $110,000 on terms convenient to purchaser.
Apartment Building For Sale
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

BE INDEPENDENT—Buy a farm; we have a large list. 505 Hamilton bldg.

Farms.

A BARGAIN FOR THE MONEY.
NEAR MONONGAHELA CITY.
A BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY HOME.
One-half mile from P. R. station and fronting on the new Charleroi road, one 2-story (brick) dwelling, surrounded with 80 acres of beautiful farm land, hot and cold water in the house, bank barn, stable and carriage house, small orchard of 1,000 bushels and other necessary outbuildings; water at the house and barn; price $12,000. For further particulars see
HURST,
Farmers Bank Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR SALE—A beautiful level farm of 122 acres, fronts on one of the main streets in town; there are 22 acres of good timber, good house of 8 rooms, barn, orchard, small stream; the wheat yielded 32 bushels per acre; price sold to settle estate. Price $35 per acre. Send for my list that fully describes and gives terms on this and many other farms. S. W. Wilson, Niles, O.

FOR SALE—Washington county farm, 205 acres; near railroad, churches and schools; underlaid with Pittsburgh vein of coal; on the premises are 2 dwellings, 2 barns, never failing well, good fruit orchard, water and build fire. For further particulars inquire of J. M. McBurney, 316 Washington Trust building, Washington, Pa.

FOR SALE—
7 ACRES AND NICE DWELLING.
Orchard, abundance of water, etc., near McKeesport, fronting on new county road; 8 minutes' walk from electric cars.
Possession at once.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
A 200-ACRE FARM IN
Butler county; all underlaid with coal; bank opened; dwelling, barns, shed, orchard; well watered, etc.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
11 ACRES, WITH GOOD DWELLING.
Lots of fruit trees, fine supply of water; near railroad station, electric cars, school, church, etc., etc.; sold to a pretty place.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—
70 ACRES NEAR PERRYSVILLE.
Well watered; good woods; buildings are poor; land is fine; price low.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

YET L. BROWN
REAL ESTATE, FARM LANDS AND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES,
208 Fitzsimmons Bldg., 331 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—DESIRABLE OHIO FARMS. Send stamp for 1904 illustrated list.
NEILL & BLAKESLEE, OAKMONT, PA.

FARMS.
Send for our new January list of farms.
A. C. McCORD & CO., 326 Fourth ave.

For Sale or Exchange.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—
A very nice dwelling in Allegheny, 4 minutes from the parks; gas and electric cars; 10 rooms, and in luxurious and fine condition throughout; all the modern requirements; good side lot to an alley; immediate possession.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
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WANTED TO EXCHANGE.
My home for something that I can build apartment house on; must be well located and clear; value about $10,000 to $12,000. Address Z 1, The Gazette.

WANTED TO EXCHANGE.
Good clear vacant for house of 10 rooms, in good location; price about $11,000. Address W 76, The Gazette.

Lots.

FOR SALE—Rebecca st., between Harriet st. and Liberty ave.; 32x140; price $12,500.
J. H. ELDER & CO.,
415 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Choice lot in Shadyside, suitable for home.
J. H. ELDER & CO.,
415 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—A very fine lot in Highland ave.
J. H. ELDER & CO.,
415 Fourth ave.

For Sale or Rent.

Atlantic City.

UP-TO-DATE hotel on one of the best avenues, close to the beach; hot water heat, electric elevator, baths and all modern improvements; capacity 200; an opportunity for parties with knowledge of the hotel business and responsibility. Address Z 14, The Gazette.

Business Opportunities.

FOR SALE—Well located meat market in Allegheny; cash trade, good business. The owner is selling on account of other business. Apply at 417 Fourth ave., Room 206.

INVESTORS—At 2 cents per share, ground floor price, we offer for a short time only a golden opportunity to subscribe for shares in a rolling mill company owning valuable patented property in a rising district; 820 buys 1,000 shares. For full particulars address A. Fowler Bros., Canton, O.

OLDEST REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE office in this district, must be sold at once; party wishing to retire from business. ADDRESS B 100, THE GAZETTE.

FOR SALE.

Business Opportunities.

BUSINESS of all kinds bought and sold; partners secured for established business, etc.; all transactions strictly confidential.
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IF YOU want to buy, sell or trade your vacant, your house and lot, farm, business, see
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IF YOU WANT to buy or sell any kind of business, see CAVANAGH CO., 431 Fourth ave.

Machinery.

ENGINES.
Plain slide valve with throttling governor.
8x10" center crank 9 H. P.
7x12"; L. H. Woolbury 15 H. P.
8x12"; H. West 20 H. P.
9x12"; C. C. Clark 25 H. P.
10x12; C. C. Clark 32 H. P.
11x14"; C. C. Clark 40 H. P.
12x18"; L. H. Hamilton 55 H. P.
14x18"; L. H. Chandler-Taylor 80 H. P.
16x24"; L. H. Blide valve 150 H. P.
20x20"; L. H. McIntosh Memphis 225 H. P.
21x24"; R. H. Mockmuller 250 H. P.
24x48"; L. H. Callahan also H. P.
26x30"; L. H. Bartlett 400 H. P.
28x30"; R. H. Fowpel valve 500 H. P.
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Also Corliss and automatic engines and boilers.

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19th 'Phone. 45th st. & Allegheny Valley Ry.

MACHINERY.
AIR COMPRESSORS for all duties.
ROCK DRILLS.
GAS PUMPS.
STEAM PUMPS, single and duplex.
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To stock and built to order.
HALL STEAM PUMP COMPANY,
213 Grant ave., Allegheny, Pa.
Near Union Bridge.
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FOR SALE—Boilers and engines, all sizes, from 10 to 100 H. P.; stationary and portable; upright boilers and steam specialties always kept in stock; shafting, pulleys and hangers, and large lot of miscellaneous machinery; second-hand belting, leather and rubber; large stock of all sizes bought and exchanged; machinery of all kinds bought and exchanged.
JOHN S. YOUNG,
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New——GAS ENGINES——Second-hand.
THE FAIRBANKS CO.,
Wood st. and Diamond alley.
4—2 h. p.; 1—4 h. p.; 1—10 h. p., second-hand. Horizontal and Vertical.
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HOISTING ENGINES, DERRICKS;
8x10, double drum, with boiler.
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Derrick, timbers and derricks.
CONTRACTORS' SUPPLY CO., PARK BLDG.

GAS ENGINES, woodworking machinery.
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Musical Instruments.

FOR SALE—Organs for a song; a few left over from Christmas, ranging in price from $15 to $40; also two good piano-stool organs at a slight cost above prices quoted. Investigate.
CHAS. M. STIEFF,
018 Penn ave.

PIANO—$450 upright, guaranteed 10 years, cover, stool; bench; in good as new; best condition. Sell $190. Box 1030, Pittsburgh.

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FOR SALE—BIG BARGAIN
ALL MAKES of Sewing Machines $5 up, guaranteed. Genuine needles and attachments. We repair all makes, lowest prices.
CARTER SEWING MACHINE CO.,
131 Sixth st., next to Dime Theater.

Horses and Vehicles.

FOR SALE—Two fine speed sleighs, also best turnouts in the city for hire at Thaleron's livery and sale stables, 9 Montgomery ave., Allegheny.

Miscellaneous.

J. G. LAUER'S
TOY HOUSE,
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TOYS AND GAMES WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

$5,000 CASH.
To buy second-hand furniture, carpets and stoves; highest cash price paid. Go in first.
HEARN AUCTION, 52 PENN AVE.

FOR SALE—An Aitken Bible published in Philadelphia in 1782. Address J. B. Ott, Steubenville, O.

FOR SALE—A 20-foot hardwood counter; reasonable. 5106 Liberty.

DIVIDENDS.

Rock Run Vast Gas Company.
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 24, 1903.
DIVIDEND—A quarterly dividend of ONE AND THREE-QUARTERS (1¾) PER CENT has been declared upon the capital stock of this company, payable January 20, 1904, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 31, 1903. The transfer books are to be closed from January 1, 1904, to January 20, 1904, both days inclusive. Checks will be mailed to stockholders on January 15, 1904.
F. J. KERRIGAN, Secretary.

The Union National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 24, 1903.
QUARTERLY AND EXTRA DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank has this day declared the regular quarterly dividend of SEVEN AND ONE-HALF (7½) PER CENT, and an extra dividend of TWO AND ONE-HALF (2½) PER CENT, on the capital stock, payable forthwith, free of tax. Checks will be mailed.
C. P. DEAN, Cashier.

Commonwealth Real Estate and Trust Company,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 28, 1903.
QUARTERLY DIVIDEND NO. 4—The board of directors of this company has this day declared a quarterly dividend of two (2) per cent on the capital stock, payable January 2, 1904, to stockholders of record at the close of business, December 31.
Checks will be mailed.
GEORGE D. EDWARDS,
Secretary and Treasurer.

Allegheny Trust Company,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 24, 1903.
DIVIDEND—At a meeting of the board of directors of this company, a dividend of ONE AND ONE-HALF (1½) PER CENT was declared out of the earnings of the past six months, payable January 2, 1904, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 19, 1903. Checks will be mailed.
CHARLES SCHNEIDER, Sec. and Treas.

The Lincoln National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 24, 1903.
QUARTERLY DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank has this day declared a quarterly dividend of TWO (2) PER CENT, payable January 1, 1904. Checks will be mailed.
W. R. CHRISTIAN, Cashier.

Office of The Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 21, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this company has this day declared a dividend of FIFTEEN (15) PER CENT out of the earnings of the last three months, payable January 1, 1904. Checks will be mailed.
H. W. GLEYPEER, Treasurer.

The National Bank of Western Pennsylvania,
Penn ave. and Ninth st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank have declared a dividend of FOUR (4) PER CENT out of the profits of the last three months, payable forthwith, free of tax. Checks will be mailed to stockholders.
JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Third National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
DIVIDEND NO 75—The board of directors of this bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of ONE AND ONE-HALF (1½) PER CENT out of the earnings of the past six months, payable January 1, 1904. Checks will be mailed to stockholders.
C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
ELECTION—An election for seven directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner Fourth avenue and Market street, on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m. and 2 and 3 p. m.
C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

Metropolitan National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank has declared a quarterly dividend of TWO (2) PER CENT on the capital stock out of the earnings of the past six months, payable January 2, 1904. Checks will be mailed to stockholders.
GEORGE E. SHERRICK, Cashier.

Commercial National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 29, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of managers of the Northern Liberties Bridge Company have this day declared a dividend of SIX DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS ($6.75) per share, out of the earnings of the last six months, payable forthwith. Checks will be mailed to stockholders of record.
EDWIN R. VOGTLY, Treasurer.

German Savings & Deposit Bank,
Corner 6th and Penn Footbridge sts.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
QUARTERLY DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared a dividend of FIVE (5) PER CENT out of the earnings of the last two months, payable forthwith free of tax.
J. F. ENNY, Cashier.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF VERONA,
Verona, Pa., Dec. 28, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank this day declared a semi-annual dividend of three (3) per cent out of the earnings of the past six months, payable January 2, 1904.
W. EMERSON BAKER, Cashier.

The Iron City National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 26, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank has this day declared a dividend of three (3) per cent out of the earnings of the last three months, payable January 2, 1904, to stockholders of record December 31, 1903.
GEO. T. WILSON, Cashier.

The First National Bank of Allegheny,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 26, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank has this day declared a dividend of three (3) per cent out of the earnings of the last three months, payable January 2, 1904, to stockholders of record December 31, 1903.
GEO. T. WILSON, Cashier.

Workingmens Savings Bank and Trust Co.,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 23, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors of this bank have this day declared the regular semi-annual dividend of SIX (6) PER CENT, payable on and after January 2, 1904.
W. L. GUCKERT, Secretary.

First National Bank of Birmingham,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
QUARTERLY DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared a dividend of FOUR (4) PER CENT out of the profits of the last three months, payable forthwith, free of tax. Checks will be mailed.
DANIEL BEECH, Cashier.

The Lincoln National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
DIVIDEND NO 75—The board of directors of this bank has declared a dividend of TEN (10) PER CENT out of the earnings of the last six months, on stock as registered on the books of the bank at the close of business December 31, 1903. Checks will be mailed to stockholders.
GEORGE S. MACBURN, Cashier.

Monongahela National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 28, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared a quarterly dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT on the capital stock, payable January 15, 1904. Transfer books will be closed from January 10 to January 15, 1904, both days inclusive.
GEORGE E. SHERRICK, Cashier.

Metropolitan National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 31, 1903.
DIVIDEND NO 8—The board of directors of this bank has declared a quarterly dividend of TWO (2) PER CENT on the capital stock out of the earnings of the last

THE OLD YEAR WENT OUT ON STEADY MARKETS

Copper, Steel and Atchison Were the Active Features in Wall Street—Cotton, Grain and Provisions Closed Higher.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The old year went out on steady to firm markets for both securities and staples. In Wall street the volume of trading was light, falling to 875,000 shares, the bulk of which was handled during the early part of the session. Initial quotations from London were lower, but after the opening on this side London became a buyer, first of United States Steel and later of Atchison. One failure occurred on the London stock exchange of a trader who was reported short of 5,000 shares of United States Steel, and it is not improbable that the short interest still outstanding is of sufficient size to cause uneasiness to the bears, who have been trading upon supposed knowledge of reduced earnings for the quarter just closed. The official figures will be forthcoming next week. The effect on the strength in Steel common, which rallied to 12⅞, was to shake the confidence of the bears in the expectation that the dividend will be entirely passed, while the steadiness of the preferred, which rallied to 58½, seemed to increase assurance that the regular 1¾ per cent dividend will be declared on that stock. The sinking fund bonds were also a little firmer, advancing to and closing at 71.

Amalgamated Copper was the most active and the strongest of the industrials. The stock opened at 50¾ and advanced to 52⅝, but subsequently reacted to 51½. The street is very bullish on the stock, and predictions were made that it would reach 60 next week. The action of the anglo other Standard Oil specialties, together with the policy of what is regarded as the Standard Oil bank in offering call money freely, thus keeping down the rate, furnish circumstantial evidence that this dominating interest is not opposed to an advancing stock market. Sugar was moderately active and firm, while other members of the industrial list were comparatively neglected.

During the greater portion of the session the largest advances in the railroad group were confined to a few low-priced and inactive specialties. Late in the day, however, Atchison became the feature, and on large transactions crossed 70. London was a buyer of the stock, and it was rumored that the Union Pacific had recently acquired 120,000 shares. The effect was to strengthen the entire market. A slight reaction occurred from the highest prices of the day in the final transactions, but the close was steady to firm.

The rate for call money reached a maximum of 9 per cent late in the afternoon, but this compared with 15 and 20 per cent at the corresponding period a year ago, and was not regarded as significant. The closing quotations were 7 per cent bid, 8 per cent asked. The primary estimates of the movements of money during the five business days of the week indicate a gain in cash to the banks of $9,250,000. What changes have occurred in the loan item cannot be estimated, but the indications are favorable to a good bank statement tomorrow.

The cotton market was again active and excited, but after a break to 13.60 for the May option there was a complete recovery of all the loss and the market closed at the top, the other options also being near the best prices of the day. While grain and provisions ruled higher, trading was restricted both by the holiday season and by the terrible calamity at Chicago, which paralyzed all desire to do business.

The dealings on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday were the smallest for a long time, sales failing to 821 shares stock and 20,000 bonds. Contrary to all previous year-end sessions, there was no interest taken in making official quotations, and the list is the smallest for any corresponding period in the history of the exchange. The tone of the market, however, was steady to firm.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday were 821 shares stock and $9,000 bonds, as follows:

10 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

$50	Electric 2ds...	85½	*15 Phila. Co..... 41⅝
*50	do.....	86½	20 Fire Proof pf.. 23

10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

*25	Mfrs. L. & H.	31	20 Crucible pfd.... 81
*4	do.....	31	30 U. S. Steel.... 12⅝
*50	do.....	31	25 do..... 12½
*2	do.....	31	100 Brewing 24½
*15	do.....	31	50 do..... 24½
*40	do.....	31	10 Crucible 4⅝
*10	do.....	31	10 Fire Proof pf.. 23
5	Crucible pfd..	81	

12:30 P. M. to 2 P. M.

25	Brewing	24½	

2 P. M. to 3 P. M.

*35	Mfrs. L. & H.	31	50 U. S. Steel.... 12⅝
*50	do.....	31	$25 Electric 2ds ... 86
*20	do.....	31⅛	$9000 P. McK. & C. 5s 93⅝
*35	W. Airbrake.	140	

†Ex-dividend. *Cash.

Summary.

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last Sale.	Ch'ge.
175	Brewing	24½	24½	24½	+¼
10	Crucible	4⅝	4⅝	4⅝	+⅛
25	Do pfd.....	81	81	81	+¼
30	Fire Proof pf.	23	23	23	0
*201	Mfrs. L. & H.	31¼	31	31¼	+¼
*15	Phila. Co.....	41½	41⅜	41⅜	+⅛
106	U. S. Steel	12⅝	12½	12½	+⅛
*35	W. Airbrake..	140	140	140	+2
1126	W. Elec. 2ds..	86¼	85¾	86	+⅜
821					
	BONDS.				
$9,000	P. McK. & C. 5s	93¾	93¾	93¾	—¼

*Cash. †Ex-dividend, 2½ per cent.

Closing Bids and Offers.

Following were the closing bids and offers for 1903, compared with those for 1902:

	Par.	1903. Bid.	1903. Ask.	1902. Bid.	1902. Ask.
*Mfrs. L. & H.	50	30	30½	193	190
P. C. & St. L.	50	90	....	98	....
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	97	....	....	....
Luster Mining	10	....	10	12½	13⅛
Pleasant Valley	25	26	....	....	....
W. Elec. 2d pf.	50	85½	86	172½	163¾
Crucible Steel	100	14½	15	13⅝	13⅞
Do preferred.	100	80½	81	88⅞	89
Monon. River Coal	50	....	9	....	....
Do preferred.	50	26	28½	....	....
Marsh Coal	100	....	4	4	4½
Pgh. Brewing pfd.	50	43	....	45½	46
Pgh. Coal	100	....	17	28½	28⅝
Do preferred.	100	56½	60	87½	87⅝
Pgh. Stove & R.	50	9	....	17	....
Nat. Airbrake	50	140	....	175	177
Nat. Fire Proof.	50	6⅞	7⅛	27⅝	27⅞
Do preferred.	50	22½	23	37⅞	38⅞
U. S. Steel	100	12⅝	....	36⅞	36⅝
Do preferred.....	100	....	67⅛	....	86
		BONDS.			
Citizens Traction		112	....	....	....
P. McK. & C. 5s		93½	....	....	....
B., K. & A. 6s		115¼	....	....	....
P. C. & St. L. 5s		112	....	....	....
Con. Gas 5s		....	....	103½	111
M. L. & P. 5s		....	....	100½	....
Monon. R. Coal 6s		....	....	111⅞	....
Phila. Co. 5s		....	....	109	110½
Pgh. Brewing 6s		....	....	112½	113¼

*Ex-dividend. †Old stock.

Sales for the Week.

The sales for the week ending December 31, 1903, were as follows:

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last Sales	Ch'ge.
280	Brewing	24⅝	24⅛	24½	+¼
710	Conk.-S. Co.	89	89	89	.....

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last Sales	Ch'ge.
25	Cons. Ice.....	4	4	4	0
450	Crucible.....	4⅝	4	4⅝	+⅛
718	Do pfd.....	*81¾	80½	81	+1⅜
15	Ewalt St. Ir.	81	81	81	....
90	Fire Proof.....	7	7	7¼	+¼
135	Do pfd.....	23	*22⅜	23	+¼
1,401	Mfrs. L. & H.	*31¾	30	*31¾	+1¼
100	Marsden.....	4	4	4	....
500	Ohio Fuel.....	96½	96½	96¼	—½
83	Peo. Pipeage	20	18	20	....
185	Phila. Co....	41⅞	*40¾	41⅜	+⅛
1,993	Pgh. Coal....	28½	28	28⅛	+⅛
6	Riv. Coal pf.	28½	28½	28½	+1
915	U. S. Steel..	12⅝	10¾	12⅝	+1⅝
828	Do pfd.....	58½	56½	57	+1½
215	W. Airbrake.	*140	135	*140	+5
5,862	W. Elec. 2ds	86⅝	85	186	+⅜
13,461		BONDS.			
$ 3,000	Birm. 5s..	112	112	112	—½
12,000	Brewing 6s..	113½	113½	113½	+½
16,000	P. McK. & C. 5s	94	93¾	93¾	+1⅜
1,000	Riv. Coal 6s.	111½	111⅜	111½	—⅛
$32,000					

*Less than 10 shares. †At auction, for account. ‡Ex-dividend. **Cash.

Sales for the Month.

The sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange for December, 1903, were as follows:

Sales.		High.	Low.	Last Sales	Ch'ge.
*50	A. B. & N. P.	30	30	30	.....
100	Am. Ice com.	8	8	8	.....
2488	Brewing com..	26	24½	24½	—1⅝
710	Do pfd.....	44	43	43	0
102	Chi. Con. Trac.	64	64	64	+2
*10	Conk. Stevens	39	39	39	.....
150	Cons. Ice.....	4	4	4	0
178	Do pfd.....	34½	34½	34½	+½
3,000	Crucible Steel	15⅛	14⅝	14⅝	—⅜
4886	Do pfd.....	*81¼	77	81	+1⅝
25	Ewalt Bridge..	81	81	81	....
2704	Fire Proofing	7⅜	6⅞	7¼	+¼
1514	Do pfd.....	24½	22½	23	—1½
25	Luzerne Mining	10	10	10	—½
5705	M. L. & H....	*31¼	28½	*31¼	+2⅜
2320	Marsden com..	4	2	4	+2
400	Ohio P. Sup..	*97½	96	96½	—1½
85	Peoples Pipe..	20	20	20	—2
870	Phila. Co. com	41⅞	36½	*41⅜	+6⅞
3504	Pgh. Coal....	18⅝	16½	17⅛	—1⅛
113	Do pfd.....	61½	56	58½	—1⅜
181	P. Plate Glass	110	*105	*105	—5
115	P. Val. Trac..	20½	20½	20½	+½
836	River Coal.....	9¼	9	9¼	+1
372	Do pfd.....	29	27	*28½	+3
*35	Standard Ice..	5	5	5	....
*25	Do pfd.....	50	50	50	....
300	U. S. Leath. com	7⅜	7⅛	7⅜	—7⅜
2910	U. S. Steel....	12½	10	12⅜	+1⅜
8137	Do pfd.....	58⅜	52	57	+5
1063	W. Airbrake..	*140	125	*140	+12
1,126	W. Elec. 2ds..	87½	85	186	+10
21041	Do 2ds.....	85⅞	*69½	*86	+17⅝
76035		BONDS.			
*1400	B., K. & A. 6s	115½	115½	115½	0
3000	Birming. 6s..	112	112	111	—2½
5000	Brewing 5s..	113½	111	113½	....
1000	Citizens 5s...	112	112	112	—6
*17000	H. S.-D. S. 3½s, 1925	102.8	102.8	102.8	....
*2500	H. S.-D. S. 3½s, 1924	102.8	102.8	102.8	....
2000	M. L. & P. 5s	100½	100	100½	0
12000	P. C. old 5s	109	109	109	+1
54000	P. McK. & C. 5s	94	93½	93¾	+⅜
100	Pgh. Trac. 5s	112	112	112	—⅜
54000	Riv. Coal 6s	112	110	111¾	+1⅜
*8000	W. H. M. 3-6 & P. 5s	104	104	104	+½
$204000					

*At auction, for account of whom it may concern. *Less than 10 shares. ‡16x-dividend. §Cash. 16x-coupon.

NOTES AND COMMENT.

The apathy in the local market was emphasized by the neglect of brokers to post the usual list of quotations at the close of the year. Actual transactions fell to a minimum, and the number of closing bids and offers was even smaller than on ordinary days. The board of directors has not yet raised the embargo on trading in bank and trust company stocks, and no quotations were made on this group. The closing time for the year and at the end of the year since the establishment of the exchange. The election of the new board will occur on Monday, and it is probable that during the week the new directors will authorize the resumption of public dealings in and quotations on bank stocks.

During the afternoon a "little German band" was brought into the local stock exchange and for the remainder of the day business was suspended. The session closed with an impromptu cakewalk.

Banks were offering money freely to brokers at 6 per cent yesterday, but the demand was light. A decline in the rate is looked for early in the new year. Several large transactions in bonds were reported as having been handled privately, but particulars were withheld.

The most prominent stock in the Wall street speculation was Amalgamated Copper, which rose to a new high level on the movement.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges for 1903 were $203,000,000 larger than the best previous record.

Stock trading nearly stagnant, but the tone of the market was firm.

Sales for the day were only 821 shares stock and $9,000 bonds.

Westinghouse Airbrake was strong, advancing to 140.

Westinghouse Electric recovered part of its dividend, closing at 86.

Manufacturers Light and Heat advanced to and closed at 31½.

IN WALL STREET.

Call money rates advanced to 9 per cent, but did not affect the stock market.

One-fourth of the day's business was in United States Steel common and preferred.

Amalgamated Copper on sales of 58,000 shares advanced to 53½.

Atchison led the railroad list, advancing to 70¼ on sales of 43,500 shares.

Bond market firm in tone. Sales amounted to $1,935,000.

The only news bearing on the stock was the report of large foreign buying of copper, the December exports, it was said, promising to show the largest figures for any month of the calendar year. The report that the United Copper syndicate had been dissolved also had a favorable effect upon Amalgamated Copper.

In New York bonds were in light demand, but firm in tone. Total sales, par value, $1,935,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

The current earnings statement of the coal-ers, and the announcement of a cut in price of steam sizes by Reading, rather depressed that group for a time.

The year-end money pressure showed in London and Paris, as well as in New York, but Berlin's condition was reported to be unexpectedly easy. The weekly statements of the great foreign banks showed the enormous expansion of credits usual at the end of the year, and which are contracted again much more promptly in the foreign money markets than here.

The gross earnings of Union Pacific for November increased $402,000 and its net increased $207,000.

The net earnings of Ontario & Western for November decreased $120,000.

The First National bank of Carnegie is now clearing through the Columbia National bank.

The Bank of Pittsburgh (National association) will clear for the following banks on and after January 2: Bank of Brushton, Braddock Trust Company, Central Savings & Trust Company, Citizens Bank, Turtle Creek; East Pittsburgh National bank, Enterprise National bank, Fifth Ward National bank, Franklin National bank, Bridgeville; First National bank, Natrona; First National bank, Turtle Creek; Guarantee Title & Trust Company, Homewood Peoples bank, International Savings & Trust Company, Penn City National bank, Pennsylvania Savings Bank & Trust Company, Manufacturers bank, South Side; Mercantile Trust Company, Merchants & Manufacturers National bank, Monongahela Valley bank, Duquesne; Moreland Trust Company, National Bank of Tarentum, Provident Trust Company, Allegheny City; Public Trust Company, Standard Security Trust Company, Tarentum Savings & Trust Company, Traders & Mechanics bank, Turtle Creek Savings & Trust Company, Treasury Trust Company, United States National bank.

Dividends Declared.

The board of directors of the Diamond National bank having decided to change the time for the payment of their quarterly dividends from February, May, August and November, to January, April, July and October, yesterday declared a proportionate dividend for two months at the rate of 4 per cent, payable forthwith.

The directors of the National Bank of Western Pennsylvania have declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, and have added $100,000 to the surplus fund.

The Keystone bank of Pittsburgh has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent, payable forthwith.

The German National bank of Allegheny has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 4 per cent.

The Fifth National bank of Pittsburgh has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, payable forthwith.

The Freehold bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 10 per cent, being an increase of 4 per cent over the last previous dividend.

The Colonial Trust has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 3 per cent, payable to stock of record December 31.

The Ft. Pitt National bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, payable on demand.

The Commonwealth Trust Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable to stock of record December 31.

The Lincoln National bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent and an extra dividend of ½ per cent, payable today.

The Third National bank of Pittsburgh has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, payable today.

The Ohio Valley bank of Allegheny has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, payable January 10.

The East End Savings & Trust Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, payable tomorrow.

The Marine National bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent, payable forthwith.

The Farmers Deposit National bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 6 per cent, payable forthwith.

The First National bank of Birmingham has declared a quarterly dividend of 4 per cent, payable forthwith.

The Commercial National bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable forthwith.

The Fifth Avenue bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, payable on demand.

The Duquesne National bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent, payable forthwith.

The German Savings & Deposit bank has declared a quarterly dividend of 3 per cent.

The Western Savings & Deposit bank has declared a dividend of 2 per cent.

The Pittsburgh Oil & Gas Company has declared a dividend of 2 per cent.

The First National bank of Sewickley has declared a regular semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent, payable forthwith.

The Union Trust Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 15 per cent.

The Safe Deposit & Trust Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 4 per cent.

The Second National bank of Allegheny has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent and an extra dividend of 2 per cent.

The directors of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railway have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent.

The Metropolitan National bank has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent.

Paris Bank Statement.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—The weekly statement of the bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation increased 253,525,000 francs; treasury accounts current increased 11,375,000 francs; gold in hand decreased 29,450,000 francs; bills discounted increased 300,175,000 francs; silver in hand decreased 3,475,000 francs.

Foreign Exchange.

The Iron City Trust Company quotes checks as follows: Sterling, 4 84; France, 5.19.40; marks, 94.40; crowns (Austria), 20.25; Dutch florins, 40.30; Italian lire (paper), 5.17.45; rubles, 51.45; pesetas (Spain), 15.35; kronor (Scandinavia), 26.80; Hongkong (dollars local currency), 42.50; Manila (dollars local currency), 4.34.00.

Bank Notes Redeemed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—National bank notes received today for redemption were $926,677; government receipts from internal revenue, $602,220; customs, $540,620; miscellaneous, $202,180; expenditures, $806,000.

COMPLETE RECORD NEW YORK STOCKS

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Pittsburgh Exchange Building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges, and Chicago board of trade.

ACTIVE LIST.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
41900	A., T. & S. F....	68½	70¾	68½	69½
2800	*Do preferred.	93½	94	90¾	91¾
	Am. Cotton Oil	....	....	....	....
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	....
900	Am. Sugar Ref.	127½	128½	127½	128½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	121
500	Am. Locomotive	18½	18½	15½	15½
200	Do preferred.	77	77	75½	75½
200	A. Car Foundry	30	30	29½	29½
100	Do preferred.	....	....	....	94½
	American Can.	....	....	....	6½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	24½
58080	Amal. Copper....	50¾	53½	50¾	51½
350	Anaconda Copper	77	77½	75	75
100	*A.Smelt. & Ref.	90½	90½	89½	89½
200	Do preferred.	90½	90½	90½	90½
	American Ice..	....	....	....	8
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	24½
2000	Baltimore & Ohio	79½	80	79½	79½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	94½
12540	Brooklyn R. T.	69½	69¾	68½	68½
100	Canadian Pacific	118½	118½	118½	118½
	C. C. C. & St. L.	75½	76	75½	75½
200	Consolidated Gas.	193	196¾	193	194
500	C. C. C. & St. L.	78½	80	78½	78½
100	Chesa. & Ohio....	43½	43½	43½	43½
600	Chi. Gt. West....	16½	16¾	16½	16¾
200	Chicago & N. W.	189	189	188	188
500	Col. Fuel & Iron	29⅞	30¼	29⅝	29⅝
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	95
	Do 1st ire.....	....	....	....	94
4300	Colo. Southern..	15½	16½	15½	15½
900	Do 1st pfd....	54	55½	54	55½
900	Do 2d pfd.....	24½	24¾	23½	24
100	D., L. & W.....	280	280	280	280
1200	Del. & Hudson..	169	169	167	167
5970	Erie	37½	38	37½	37½
1870	Do 1st pfd.....	68½	68½	68½	68½
100	Do 2d pfd.....	50½	50½	50½	50½
100	General Electric	....	....	....	174½
100	*Hocking Valley.	72½	72½	72½	72½
200	*Do pfd.....	87½	87½	87½	87½
654	Illinois Central.	131½	131½	131½	131½
100	Iowa Central....	20½	20½	20½	20½
500	Internat. Paper.	11¾	11¾	11¾	11¾
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	64
1900	L. E. & W.....	....	....	....	53
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	93
1900	Louis. & Nash...	109⅝	110	109½	109⅝
750	Manhattan.....	144	144	143½	144
6000	*Mexican Central	16⅜	17	16⅜	16⅜
	M., K. & T. pfd.	....	....	....	34½
1250	Metropolitan....	124	124½	124	124½
100	Mexican Central.	16⅜	16⅜	16⅜	16⅜
100	Nation. Biscuit.	42½	42¾	42½	42¾
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	90
100	National Biscuit.	87½	87½	87½	87½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	120
800	*N. Y. Central..	119½	119½	119½	119½
	N. J. Central....	....	....	....	175
	N. Y., O. & W....	35½	35½	35½	35½
265	Norfolk & West.	58	58	57½	57½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	85
700	North American.	84½	84½	83½	83½
	Ontario	145	148	144	147
720	Peoples Gas	98½	98½	98½	98½
100	Pacific Mail....	36½	36½	36½	36½
	Pullman	....	....	....	218
	Pressed Steel Car	....	....	....	37
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	91
5240	Penna. R. R....	119	119½	118½	118½
	P. C. C. & St. L.	....	....	....	95½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	95½
	Railway Springs.	35	35½	35½	35½
	Do preferred.	90	90	90	90
4500	Reading.....	45½	46	45½	45½
100	Do 1st pfd....	77½	77½	77½	77½
500	Do 2d pfd.....	61	61	60½	60½
800	Rock Island....	24½	24½	24½	24½
200	Do preferred.	62	62	61½	61½
100	Republic Iron..	17½	17½	17½	17½
200	Do preferred.	42	42	42	41½
	St. L. & S. F. 1st p	....	....	....	70
	St. L. & S. F. 2d p	....	....	....	60
800	St. L. & S. W.	43½	43½	43½	43½
2000	So. Pacific.....	67½	68¾	67½	68¼
1900	So. Railway.....	20½	20½	20½	20½
100	Do preferred.	70	70	70	70
4400	St. Paul	146½	146¾	145½	145½
120	Do preferred.	180	180	180	180
200	Tenn. Coal & I.	55½	56	55½	55½
900	St. L. & S. W.	14½	14½	14½	14½
	Do preferred.	....	....	....	34
2210	Tenn. Coal & I.	55½	56	55½	55½
200	Tex. & Pacific..	25½	25½	25½	25½
100	Tol., St. L. & W	28	28	28	28
275	Do preferred.	58	58½	58	58
40000	U. S. Steel.....	12½	12⅞	12½	12⅝
57600	Do preferred.	57½	58½	57½	58½
21900	Union Pacific..	69½	70¼	69½	70¼
400	Do preferred.	80	80½	80	80½
	U. S. Rubber....	....	....	....	13½
1470	U. S. Leather..	7⅞	8	7⅞	7⅞
855	Do preferred.	76	78½	76	78½
	U. S. C. I. P. pf.	41½	41½	41½	41½
	U. S. Realty & C.	....	....	....	95
	Do preferred....	44½	44½	42½	42
120	Wabash pfd.....	27½	27½	27½	27½
200	Do preferred....	51½	51½	50½	50½
280	West. Union Tel.	86½	86½	86½	86½
	W. & Lake Erie..	....	....	....	23
	Do 1st pfd.....	....	....	....	68
	Do 2d pfd.....	....	....	....	48
200	Wisconsin Central	16½	17	16½	16½
	Do preferred....	....	....	....	37

INACTIVE LIST.

100	Am. Hide & L....	....	17½	17½	17½
500	Do preferred....	....	42	42	42
100	Ann Arbor pfd....	....	34½	34½	34½
5000	Chi. Term. Trac..	....	7½	7½	7½

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
100	Do preferred....	....	94	93	93
100	Chi. Term. 7s pref	....	94	94	94
3000	Do 6s, 2d.....	....	11½	11	11½
500	Do preferred....	....	25½	25	25½
700	Do preferred....	....	14½	13½	13½
100	Inter. Pump....	....	72	72	72
100	Kan. & M. pfd....	....	70	70	70
100	Mex. Nat. & M. pf	....	8	8	8
100	Mt. St. P. & S. M.	....	134	134	134
200	Mt. Securities....	....	94	94	94
400	*Nat. Salt & P....	....	17½	17½	17½
400	*N. A. & C. Ry....	....	17½	17½	17½
400	N. Y. Airbrake....	....	174	174	174
200	Pac. Coast Co....	....	64	64	64
100	Do 2d pfd.....	....	64	64	64
200	Rubber Goods....	....	18½	18½	18½
100	Do preferred....	....	75	75	75
200	Stras.	....	40½	40½	40½
100	Do preferred....	....	87½	87½	87½
400	W. Elec. 2d pf....	....	173	171½	171½
	Sales to-day, total				

*Ex-dividend.

CLOSING PRICES NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	106	L. & N. uni. 4s..	100⅝
Do coupon.....	106½	Man. con. gold 4s	102½
U. S. 3s, reg.....	109½	Mex. Cen. 1st 4s.	73
Do coupon.....	110	Do 1st inc.....	34
U. S. old 4s, reg.	137½	M., K. & T. 4s..	93
Do coupon.....	137½	Do 2d 4s.....	73
U. S. old 5s, reg.	107½	M., K. & T. 4s..	94½
Do coupon.....	107½	N. R. R. of M. 4s	75
U. S. new 4s, reg.	137½	N. Y. C. & H. 3½s	98½
Do coupon.....	137½	N. Y. C. 4s.....	102½
Atchison gen. 4s..	97½	*Nor. Pacific 4s..	102⅝
Do adj. 4s.....	86	Do 3s.....	71
Do Mexican 4s..	96	Nor. & W. con. 4s.	96½
Balt. & Ohio 4s..	101	Ore. R. & N. 4s..	96½
*Do 3½s.....	97½	Penna. conv. 3½s	98½
†Cal. & Ariz. 4s..	96	Reading gen. 4s..	88½
Can. So. 2ds.....	107½	*St. L. & I. M. 5s	111½
C., B. & Q. 4s....	102½	St. L. & S. F. 6s.	120
C. & E. Ill. 6s....	119	*St. L. & S. F. 4s	96
*C. M. & St. P. 4s	110½	So. Pacific 4s....	96½
C. & N. W. 7s....	141	So. Railway 5s....	110½
C. & N. W. 6s....	131½	*Texas & Pac. 1st	112
Do col. 5s.....	78	*St. L. & W. 4s..	71
C. C. C. & St. L. 4s	96	Tenn. Cent. 6s....	103
*Chi. Term. 4s....	90	Do cons. 4s.....	90½
Chi. Term. 5s....	97½	Union Pacific 4s..	103½
*Col. & So. 4s....	86	Wabash 5s.....	114½
*Den. & Rio G. 4s	90½	Do deb. B.....	67
*Erie prior lien 4s	96½	W. & L. E. 4s....	96
Do gen. 4s.....	91	*Wis. Central 4s..	91
Ft. W. & D. C. 1st	102½	Do Pool certs....	90
*Mex. Cen. 4s....	79½	*Work. Val. 4s....	96

New York Curb Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Sproul & Co.)

Amer. Elevator....	8	Inter. Salt Sc.....	23½
American Chicle..	92	Manhat. Transit..	1⅝
Do preferred....	72	Mex. & Ben. Cop.	11-16
Amer. Light Sc..	94	New Orl. Gas Sc..	10½
Do preferred....	24	New Orleans Ry..	10⅝
Bay State Gas....	3	Do preferred....	38
British Columbia.	3	Do bonds.....	74
Brooklyn Ferry....	1	*N. Y. Transit..	74
Consol. Ice Sc....	1	Nor. Ohio Trac..	5
Do preferred....	8½	Ohio Electric....	26½
Electric Boat.....	17	Ohio Gas Sc.....	2
Do preferred....	46	Rapid R. Pav. pf.	90
Do preferred....	46	Second Ave. Pav.	90
Electric Storage..	2½	Standard Ice.....	4
Elec. Co. of Am..	8½	Do preferred....	4
Lehigh Nav.....	5½	Texas Transport..	1
Lehigh Valley....	50½	United Cig. Sc. pf.	80
Manhattan Elev..	131	United Cig. Stores	87½
New Hav. L. & S.	3	United Fruit Sc..	97
Penna. R. R.....	59½	Weehawk Co.....	29

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

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TWO EAST END HOUSES BOUGHT

Stratford Avenue Residence Brings $17,000 and Sheridan Street House $10,000.

DEAL IN DINWIDDIE STREET

Two more residence sales in the East End announced yesterday confirm the growing popularity of the Nineteenth and Twentieth wards as home centers, and show that in spite of the apparent dullness in real estate there is a strong demand for first-class houses. One property belonged to Mary E. Sivitor and was sold to Myer Fink for $17,000. It is a new reception hall brick house, standing on lot 70x90 feet, and faces on the west side of Stratford avenue, South Oakland street. The buyer will occupy the property as a home.

The other sale was that of the residence of Nannie A. Work on the north side of Sheridan street, near Jackson street, Nineteenth ward. This is an 11-room brick house with reception hall and modern improvements, and the lot is 82x120 feet. Through the Liberty Real Estate Trust Company it was bought by an East End business man for a home for $10,000.

The deal for the Charles Lockhart houses in Dinwiddie street is likely to be closed today and will probably result in the whole bunch being sold for cash at once. There are 61 of the houses, 29 of them being on the west side of the street, where they are known as 201-257, and the remaining 32 on the east side of the street, being 200-240 Dinwiddie street. The houses are all three stories high with stone fronts and are built in doubles on lots 20x90 feet each. They constitute the best bunch of dwellings in the Eleventh ward and are easy renters. Of the whole number 11 were already sold by Edgar L. Adler within the past few weeks at prices ranging around $5,000 each. The Commonwealth Real Estate and Trust Company, it is said, has the management of the remainder, but nothing definite can be learned yesterday concerning the deal.

Allegheny: E. A. Hess & Co. sold for the Mary Bartley estate to M. R. McBurney 1201 Boyle street, Third ward, Allegheny, a two-story and mansard brick house, lot 20x95 feet, for $7,000.

Allegheny: The Real Estate Savings and Trust Company sold for Dr. William G. Arndt to Frances Kelly 413-415 First street, Third ward, Allegheny, two brick houses, lots 40x110 feet each, for $6,800.

Crawford street: C. C. Hamilton sold for the Mary Walton estate to Miss Annie Mooro 240 Crawford street, an eight-room brick house, lot 22x80 feet, for $2,600.

Belmar place: Henrietta Shickler sold to William B. Heidler an improved lot, 25x83 feet, on the north side of Kedron avenue, Twenty-first ward, for $4,850.

Hastings street: Harry L. Borland sold to Olive E. Walker an improved lot, 25x96 feet, on the northwest side of Hastings street, near Duniory street, Twenty-second ward, for $2,000.

Carver street: Silas W. Stuck sold to Frank Peters an improved lot, 25x100 feet, on the northeast side of Carver street, Twenty-first ward, for $1,550.

The following building permits were issued in Pittsburgh yesterday: Alfred Lawton, 4-story brick factory, Sandusky alley, Seventh ward, $7,350; W. C. Getty, 2-story frame dwelling, 217 Meyran avenue, Fourteenth ward, $1,200; Louis Gartner, 2-story frame dwelling, Boltz-hoover avenue, Thirty-eighth ward, $2,100; W. T. Leggett & Co., storage shed, Liberty avenue, Twelfth ward, $500.

Transfers Recorded.

Cunningham D D to Thomas Watson, Dec 29, 19th ward, Pittsburgh, 38x150, Negley ave ..... $ 1,900

Burgwin George C to Rodger Mulvihill, Oct 1, 23d ward, Pittsburgh, 48x120, st 3,600

Pittsburgh Trust Co to George H Shickler, Dec 19, 21st ward, Pittsburgh, 25x80, Monticello st 1,150

Weiton Park Land Co to Benuel J Parkins, Nov 7, 15th ward, Allegheny, 25x122, Woods Run ave 1,529

Borland Harry L to Oliver E Wallins, Oct 1, 22nd ward, Pittsburgh, 25x 95, Hastings st 2,000

Watson Thomas to Rose S Cunningham, Dec 26, 19th ward, Pittsburgh, 38x 160, Negley ave 10,000

Young Roy M to John J Ratilgen, Nov 14, Munhall, 23x110, Martha st 1,000

Friend Kennedy T to I. Pelouzet, Nov 20, 18th ward, Pittsburgh, 110x118, Herron ave 5,000

Lee Hugh L to W. H. Reynolds, Dec 16, 19th ward, Pittsburgh, 41x100, ... 10,000

to Thomas Liggett, Dec 5, Pitcairn, 25x100, Second st 3,250

Rook Homer L to E Robertson, July 1, 1902, 16th ward, Pittsburgh, 140x241, Highland and Stanton 50,000

Carpenter L M to R Eyles, Oct 24, 30th ward, Pittsburgh, 25x100, Vanadalia st 2,850

Turner H Z to James Lyons, Dec 15, First ward, Wilkinsburg, 33x140, Glenn st 2,400

Douglass A W to Charles Irwin, Sept 19, Mercer, 65x80, Rodgers ave 2,200

Golden B W to W H Kimball, Dec 9, Bellevue, 86x141, Orchard st 1,000

Forrest George L to John Scholl, Nov 17, 27th ward, Pittsburgh, 25x98, Idlewild st 4,750

Duncan William C to Penna Sav F and L A, Dec 24, Mt. Oliver, 50x10, Brownsville road 2,500

Armstrong E to N F Glausser, Dec 20, McKees Rocks, 25x50, Roquet ave 1,050

Spohn Adam to D L Donaldson, Nov 12, Bridgeville, 1 acre, twp road 1,400

McAra William to A McAra McKonald, Dec 29, 4th ward, McKeesport, 30x124, Jennie Lind st 1,700

Smith G B to C A Smith, Nov 27, 12th ward, Pittsburgh, 24x102, Morgan st 2,400

Johnston R W to G Morton, Nov 27, Ingram, 25x150, Prospect ave 2,550

Jacober F to Phil Telnes, Dec 10, 21st ward, Pittsburgh, 25x120, Frankstown ave 1,500

McGinley John to George F Bowman, June 26, Brookeridge, 24x120, Brookeridge ave 1,700

Caruthers P G to Charles T Branson, Oct 15, 15th ward, Pittsburgh, 28x100, Chestnut and McClellan sts 1,800

Brown M B to F M Teeple, Dec 29, 2d ward, Carnegie, 54x80, Trimble ave.

Hollis O L to E. Hollis, June 27, 27th ward, Pittsburgh, 90x255, Eleanor 2,225

COKE PRODUCTION IS AT A LOW FIGURE

Last Week in Year Witnessed Smallest Weekly Output in Many Years.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 31.—The last day of the year 1903 witnesses the smallest weekly production of coke in the region in many years. The already low level prevailing for weeks past and the added slump due to the Christmas holiday and the July following drove the production of the region down to 72,547 cars, a decrease over last week of 10,300 tons, an average of about 28 per cent of the production of the region. Neither feeling was produced today by the Rainey & Company posting notices of a re-adjustment of wages in all its plants. The wage reduction is similar in every detail to that of the Frick Company, its only difference being that it is effective January 1 instead of December 16, as is that of the Frick Company.

An official of the Rainey Company today said that there is every indication that a selling basis of $1.85 for coke will be established, although the Frick company hoped to maintain a $2 rate. This he believed under the altered conditions, will be impossible. Under such circumstances it is plainly evident that the wage reduction was an absolute necessity for the operator, as the old wage rate was for selling coke on a $3 basis. Very few yearly contracts are being made now, the largest coke buyers purchasing in small quantities to fill them over the present unsettled condition of the trade. Foundry coke has been in much better demand during the past week, the new Masontown field having raised nearly 100 cars last week on this product. The average of the time being made in the Masontown field is much better than the average with the Connellsville field. The weekly production for the month in the region is 37 per cent of the field. In curtailing production the high price stocks have been cleared up and the new year will start off with clear coke yards.

A summary of the Connellsville region for the week shows 22,737 ovens in the Connellsville region, with 8,785 ovens in blast and 13,952 ovens idle. The changes for the week noted were 160 ovens blown out. Of the 55 plants in operation, 24 plants, 2,645 ovens, made five days; 20 plants, 6,045 ovens, four days; one plant, 40 ovens, two days, and 35 ovens, the Semet-Solvay plant, seven days, an average of 4.21 days, as compared to 5.05 days last week. The production of the region in tons for the week amounted to 75,278 tons, as compared to 94,587 tons the week previous, a decrease of 19,309 tons. The shipments of coke from the region in cars amounted to 7,227 cars, as compared to 4,418 cars the week previous, a decrease of 846 cars. The shipments were distributed as follows: To points west of Pittsburgh, 5,096 cars, a decrease of 265 cars; to points east of Everson, 862 cars, a loss of 126 cars; to Pittsburgh and river points, 1,410 cars, a decrease of 473 cars. The shipments in tons delivered, as per reports received from shipping points, amounted to 76,622 tons, as compared to 92,655 tons the week previous, a decrease of 16,033 tons. The shipments made about the same decrease as is shown in production, indicating how closely production is kept in line with the output. The shipments from the new Masontown field amounted to 434 cars, as compared to 353 cars the week previous, an increase of 82 cars. The shipments in tons is estimated at 12,812 tons, as against 9,844 tons the week previous.

GOOD BUSINESS DONE ON YEAR'S LAST DAY

Corn Weakened Slightly --- A Blockade in East Increases Hay Receipts Here.

All markets were steady on the last day of the year, with the exception of corn, which weakened slightly. New No. 2 yellow shelled dropped from 44½c and 45c to 43¾c and 44c. New No. 2 yellow ear also dropped a cent. Hay and grain dealers are hopeful of better conditions beginning with the new year. Receipts have commenced to grow lighter and the business outlook is better than for the past two months. A blockade in the east has resulted in immense hay shipments to Pittsburgh, but no changes in prices were made. Indications are that hay will remain about where it is for some time to come. Oats showed the best yesterday, and have continued strong for some time. The price advanced a half cent and is quoted at 42@42½c, 41½c to 42c and 40c to 40½c. Poultry is unchanged. High prices prevail and New Year's dinners will cost more than those of Christmas day. Produce men say there is bigger demand for poultry than for anything at the present time. Milder weather yesterday did not effect the price of eggs, which are selling as high as 40 cents. There was a better feeling on potatoes, fruits and produce of New Year's day; in fact, the holiday made business good in almost every line.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 21 cars hay, 15 cars oats, 15 cars corn, 3 cars feed, 1 car straw; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, 3 cars hay, 2 car oats; Baltimore & Ohio, 1 car oats, 1 car feed, 3 cars corn.

Hay, No. 1 timothy	Rye, No. 2
ning ..$13.50@13.50	Mich ....68½@68¾c
do No. 2 $12.00@12.50	White middlings, No. 2
No. 1 clov $11.25@11.50	ton....$27.50@22.00
do No. 2 $10.50@11.00	do brown $20.00@20.50
No. 1 mix $11.50@12.00	Bran, ton. $18.00@18.50
Loose from wagon $15.00@17.00	Wheat, No. 2 red ....72@80c
Straw, oat ..$8.50@9.00	No. 2 yellow shelled ....32@32c
do wheat..$8.50@9.00	Corn, No. 2 yellow shelled ....43½@44c
Corn, No. 2 yellow ....$1.02@1.02½	High mix ....51@52c
Oats, No. 2 white ....42@42½c	Low mix ....49½@50c
do No. 3 ....41@42c	New No. 2 yellow shelled ....43½@44c
do No. 4 ....40@40½c	New No. 2 yellow ear ....52@53c

GROCERIES.

Flour.	
Fancy spg. pat. ext. ..$4.80@4.85	do powdered 4.75c
Fancy winter patent.. $4.25@4.30	do pow'd xxxx.. 4.80c
Straight win.$3.85@4.00	do cubes 4.80c
Bakers' spg..$3.40@3.60	do cut loaf 4.75c
Rye ....$3.65@3.75	do coff. A..4.50@4.60c
Graham ....$4.00@4.50	do No. 1 yellow..4.35c
Cornmeal bbl $3.25@3.60	do No. 2 yellow..4.25c
do 10-lb cotton bags ....37@38c	do No. 3 yellow..4.20c
Rolled oats, bbl $5.10	Beans
do kegs $2.70	Navy, N. F. $2.00@2.15
Roasted Coffee.	Navy, imp...$2.10@2.15
Rio ....9@12c	Red kidney...$3.10@3.25
Santos ....2@12c	Cal. lima, lb ....4½@6c
Maracaibo ....17@17½c	Peas, dried, bu ....$1.80@1.40
Peaberry ....17@18c	do split, lb 4c
Golden Rio....15@15½c	do marrow, bu ....$2.00@2.10
Caracas ....19@19½c	Oil, carbon, 110 deg 13c
Standard pkgs ..$11.65@12.05c	do headlight 13½c
High grades $17.30@18.30	do water white 13¾c
Molasses, fancy refined ....30@37c	do Ohio W. W. 150 deg 15½c
do choice....32@35c	do miners' ....25@45c
do open ket....33@40c	do Pacific 16½c
Syrups.	do special brands ....20@43c
Fancy sugar.. 29@30c	Rice, ex-fancy Japan ....6@6¾c
Sug. and cane. 24@25c	do fancy Japan ....6@6¼c
Prime ....24@26c	do choice Carolina ....6@7c
2½-lb cans, doz.... 90c	Salt, No. 1, bbl.... 1.00
3-lb cans, doz.... $1.40	do No. 1 extra...$1.10
5-lb cans, doz.... $1.80	do gran. rock 85c
10-lb cans, doz....$3.40	do pocket...$1.55@1.85
Maple, gal....75@$1.00	do dairy $1.20
Oatmeal, bbl.... $5.60	Sauer kraut, cask..$9.75
do kegs.... $1.20	do bbls.... $7.50
Sugar, std. gran. 4.65c	do half bbl.... $4.00
do bags.... 4.55c	
do 2-lb carton 4.80c	
Sugar, 5-lb cot. ton bags.... 4.80c	

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std. pie..$1.10	Plums, damson....$1.00
do pie, gal.$2.50@3.00	do green gage....$1.60@1.70
do California L. C....$1.80@2.35	Raspberries ....85@95c
do Mary-land....$1.80@1.85	Gooseberries ..85c@$1.00
do California Y. E....$1.80@2.00	Tomatoes, standard....87½@90c
Corn, fancy..$1.30@1.50	do fancy....$1.15@1.35
do std....$1.20@1.25	do gal.....$3.00@3.10
Cherries, Cal., white....$2.50@2.75	Succotash, 1-lb cans ....$1.25@1.40
Lima beans..$1.20@1.45	Baked beans, cans, tomato sc.75c@$1.40
do soaked....75@80c	Salmon, doz...85c@$2.00
	Clipped beef $2.25@2.75

String beans, 2-lb.. 95c	Corn and peas
do 3-lb.... 1.25	beef, 2-lb. cans ....$2.30@2.35
Stringless beans	do 1-lb ....$1.30@1.35
do ....$1.20@1.75	Mackerel, boned.... $1.90@2.50
Peas, marrowfat.... 85@$1.00	Sardines domes. ¼s ....$1.50@3.10
do early June....90c@$1.00	do imported ....$3.25@3.75
do sifted ....85c@$1.00	do French....$9.00@10.75
Pineapples ....$1.60@2.25	

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl.... $22.00	Mackerel, No. 2 bbls.... $20.00
do half bbl.... $10.50	do half bbl.... $11.50
do quar. bbl.... $5.75	do quarter bbl.... $6.00
Mackerel, No. 1 plain, bbl.... $25.00	do 20-lb pails $2.40
do half bbls....$12.00	do 10-lb pails $1.55
do quar. bbls....$6.00	Lake herring, 100 lbs.... $3.00@3.25
do 20-lb pails....$2.70	do ½ bbl. quar.... $1.25
do 10-lb pails....$1.40	do 10-lb.... .85

SEEDS.

Clover, from store, recleaned, bu. small.$7.10@7.20	Alsike ....$8.50@9.00
do mammoth....$7.20@7.30	Alfalfa ....$7.25@7.50
do crimson....$4.50@4.75	Millet ....$1.25@1.50
do white, Dutch.$14.00@18.00	Orchard grass, Australian....90c@$1.10
Alsike ....$8.75@9.00	do lawn, lb....18@20c
	do blue, 14-lb. ....$1.75@1.85
	do red top, 14-lb bu....$1.10@2.00
	Timothy ....$1.80@1.60

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap. bags....9@12c	Raisins, Muscatel, 2 and 4 crown, 50-lb boxes....7@8c
do 25-lb boxes....8¼@11½c	do cluster, Val.... 7@7½c
Apples, sun-dried, do 1-lb car-tons....7¼@7¾c	Currants, cleaned bulk....7@7½c
Peaches ....7@10½c	Prunes ....7½@12½c
Raspberries ....22@24½c	Figs, Cal. ....6@8c
Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkgs..9½@10c	do Turk.... 12½@14c

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, bu. store....80@85c	do head, bbl.$8.00@9.00
do truck....70@75c	Garlic, lb....7@8c
Sweets, Virginia.$2.00@2.25	Carrots, bbl....$1.25@1.50
Kiln dried.. $4.00@4.25	String beans, bu....$3.00@4.00
do bu. box.$1.25@1.35	Cauliflower, dozen....$2.25@2.50
do medium.$1.75@2.00	Watercress, doz..15@20c
Turnips, bbl.. 75@2.75	Brussels sprouts, qt....15@16c
Onions, bbl. $2.25@2.50	do basket carriers....$1.00@1.25
do bulk, bu....75@85c	Spinach, bu..$1.00@1.25
do new, doz....20@30c	Squash, Hubbard, bbl....$1.50@1.75
do Spanish, crate....$1.00@1.10	do marrow, bbl.... .50c@$1.00
Cucumbers, hothouse, doz....$1.25@1.50	Honey, new....12@15c
Cabbage, Danish.$4.00@5.00	Parsnips, bbl.$1.75@2.00
do lb....2½@3c	Rutabagas ....$1.00@1.25
Parsley, doz..30c@$1.00	Beets, bbl.... $2.50@3.00
Radishes, doz....30@35c	Popcorn, lb....4@5c
Celery, Ohio....25@35c	Cranberries, bbl.... $5.50@6.00
Lettuce, home, doz....70c@$1.00	Egg plant, hamper....$6.00@7.00
do Adirondack, basket....25@35c	

PROVISIONS.

Hams.	Breakfast bacon.
18 lbs and up....10¼c	back strips....11c
Over 14 to 18 lbs....11c	Dry salt sides, extra
Over 10 to 14 lbs.11¼c	short clears....8c
10 lbs and under..11¾c	Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs....8¼c
Skinned hams....11¾c	do 16 to 20 lbs....8¾c
Boneless boiled....11c	do under 16 lbs....9¼c
California hams....7¾c	Dry salt smoked sides, extra short clears....9c
Shoulders, N. Y. cut....7½c	Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs....8¼c
do skinned....8¼c	do 16 to 20 lbs....9¼c
Breakfast bacon, rolls 8 to 10 lbs....12c	do under 16 lbs....9½c
do 10 to 12 lbs..11¾c	Lard, pure, tierces....7½c
do back strips....11c	
do clears, 8 to 10 lbs....12½c	

NUTS.

Chestnuts, lb....10@11c	Italian chestnuts ....6@8c
Filberts 12c	Pecans 12c
Eng. walnuts....11@14c	Shellbarks, bu....$1.60@1.70
S. S. almonds....16c	Walnuts ....$1.00@1.20
Tarr almonds....15c	Butternuts $1.00
Mixed 12c	
Brazil 12c	

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter.	
Prints ....27@27½c	do Wis. Swiss, tubs ....14½@15c
Tubs ....26@27c	do 3-lb block Swiss, new....14½@15c
Ohio cream..24@24½c	do Limberger....13@13½c
Dairy ....16@17c	do brickstein.13½@14c
Country roll....14@15c	Eggs, fresh, candled....30@40c
Creamery, 1st, fall cream....12½@13c	do select 30c
do Ohio....12@12½c	do storage....$1@$2c
do 3d grm.11¼@11½c	
Cheese, Ohio fancy....15@15½c	

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live chickens....12@13c	Imp. ptarmigan, pair....$2.50
Roosters ....7@8c	do grouse....$2.50
Turkeys ....17@18c	do partridges....$2.25
Live ducks, lb....13@14c	do black cocks..$2.50
Geese ....10@12c	do plover, doz....$4.50
Dressed hens....15@16c	Squirrels, pair....40@50c
Dressed springs.17@18c	Squab, doz....$4.50
Roasters ....10@11c	Mallard ducks, pair....$1.75@2.00
Roosters ....9@10c	Dutch ducks, fresh dressed ....22@23c
	Ducks ....18@20c
	Rabbits, pair....25c
	Capons, lb....18c
	Pigeons, pair....15c
	do ex. live....08c

TROPICAL FRUITS.

Lemons, Messina, extra....$3.25@4.00	Bananas, 1st....$1.75@2.25
do Verdelli....$3.00@4.25	do 2ds....$1.25@1.50
do Calif'or ....$3.00@3.50	Pineapples, crate....$2.50@3.00
Limes, per c.... $1.00	Pears, California, W. Wells....$3.50
Oranges, California, navel....$2.75@3.25	do Bartlett....$3.75
do Florida....$3.00@3.50	Grapes, Almeria....$3.50@4.00
do Tangerine, per box....$2.75@3.00	Orange fruit....$5.00@5.50
do bul....$3.00@3.50	Dried Eriquere [....$2.00
Cocoanuts, bag....$2.50	do Smyrna, cartons....$1.00@1.35

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, fancy, bbl....$3.50@4.00	Cranberries, bbl....$2.25@2.50
do choice.$2.00@2.50	do choice.$2.00@2.25
Oregon, Calawba 90c	

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

PITTSBURGH UNION STOCK YARDS.

Thursday, Dec. 31, 1903.

Cattle—Supply light and market steady. Choice, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., $5 60@5 75; prime, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs., $4 90@5 25; good, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs., $4 50@4 70; fair, 1,100 to 1,150 lbs., $4 10@4 35; green, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., $3 50@3 75; fair to good bulls, $2 25@3 50; common to good fat bulls, $1 35@3 00; common to good fat cows, $1 35@3 50; heifers, 700 to 1,000 lbs., $3 35@3 85; good fresh cows and springers, $40@50; common to fair, $15@25.

Sheep and Lambs—Supply light and market steady. Prime wethers, 90 to 100 lbs., $4 00@4 25; good mixed, 85 to 90 lbs., $3 60@3 85; fair to mixed, 75 to 80 lbs., $3 00@3 50; culls and common, $1 50@2 25; choice lambs, $5 25@5 40; fair to good, $4 75@5 10; calves, $7 50@8 00; heavy and thin, $3 00@4 00.

Hogs—Receipts, 15 double decks; market active. Heavy hogs, $5 10@5 15; mediums, $5 10@5 15; heavy Yorkers, $5 10; light Yorkers, $5 00; pigs, $4 90@4 95; roughs, $3 00@4 50.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,200 head, including 1,500 Texans. Steady to 15 cents higher. Exports and dressed beef steers, $4 20@5 85; fair to good $3 75@4 10; western fed steers, $3 25@4 10; stockers and feeders, steady; southern steers, $2 80@4 10; southern cows, $1 50@2 80; native cows, strong, $1 50@4 00; native heifers, strong, $2 40@4 00; bulls, strong, $2 50@3 50; calves, steady, $2 50@6 50; receipts for the year of cattle, 1,900 head. Hogs—Receipts, 8,500 head; market 5@10c higher. Top, $4 72½; bulk of sales, $4 55@4 70; heavy, $4 67½@4 72½; packers, $4 50@4 70; pigs and lights, $4 40@4 62½. Receipts for the year of hogs, 1,800 head. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000 head. Market strong, native lambs, $4 75@5 65; western lambs, $3 75@4 15; fed ewes $2 75@3 60; western fed yearlings, $3 50@4 35; stockers and feeders, $2 50@3 65. Receipts for the year of sheep, 1,-151,900 head.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Beeves—Receipts, 68 head; a few sales were offered and the market rated about steady; native steers, sold at $4 60@5 25 a 100 pounds; dry cows at $1 90@2 80, and including one at $4 00; dressed beef steady; city dressed native sides, 08@8½c a pound; cables last received quoted American steers at 11@12c dressed weight; refrigerator steers at 9½@10c a pound. Calves—Receipts, 123 head; veals rated ½c higher; the market was slow and unchanged otherwise; veals sold at $5 00@5 25 a 100 pounds; city dressed veals, 9@11½c a pound. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,200 head. Sheep ruled quiet and steady; lambs generally slow and the average of sales a trifle easier; sheep sold at $3 00@4 00 a 100 pounds; lambs, $6 00@6 85; culls, $4 00; dressed mutton, 6@8c a pound; dressed lambs, 8½@11c a pound. Hogs—Receipts, 3,475 head; market rated slightly firmer; a few Jersey hogs sold at $5 00@5 25 a 100 pounds.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,000 head; market strong to 10c higher; good to prime, $5 10@5 50; poor to medium, $3 50@5 00; stockers and feeders, $2 00@4 10; cows and heifers, $1 75@4 70; canners, $1 75@2 40; bulls, $2 00@4 25; calves, $2 50@5 75. Hogs—Receipts today, 40,000 head; tomorrow, 20,000 head; market started to be higher; mixed and butchers', $4 40@4 80; good to prime heavy, $4 75@4 90; rough heavy, $4 40@4 70; light, $4 75@4 85; bulk of sales, $4 60@4 75. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000 head; sheep and lambs closed lower; good to choice wethers, $4 75@5 10; fair to choice mixed, $3 00@3 75; native lambs, $4 20@5 25.

Turpentine and Rosin.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 31.—Spirits turpentine firm at 55c. Rosin firm at $2 10. Tar firm at $1 60. Crude turpentine firm at $2 25, $2 50.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 31.—Turpentine firm at 56½c. Rosin firm, A B C D ⅝ F, $2 25; H, $2 40; I, $2 60; K, $2 85; M, $2 95; N, $3 10; W G, $3 20; W W, $3 35.

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GRAINS CLOSED HIGHER IN CHICAGO MARKETS

Lack of Snow in Winter Wheat Belt Contributed Strength in That Pit.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Wheat ruled strong throughout the entire session. Steady cables and small receipts were but factors at the start and May opened unchanged to ½@¾c higher at 84½ to 84⅝@84¾c. There was good general buying in both May and July and with only light offerings the market advanced. Reports from various portions of the winter wheat belt to the effect that the fields are now bare caused appreciable buying orders. The feeling of weakness was increased by the warlike news from the east and an urgent demand from shorts soon carried May up to 84⅞c. The market lost part of its strength late in the day on realizing, but the close was firm. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 322,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 1,024,000 bushels, with a holiday last week. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 818 cars, against 807 cars last week.

Reports of smaller yields west than expected and relatively higher prices being paid by feeders light interest in movement and the action of wheat all tended to create a decidedly bullish sentiment in corn. Commission houses and shorts led in the buying while the selling was by small local professionals. Prices held strong throughout the day and closed near the top. Local receipts were 142 cars, none of contract grade.

There was a good buying of oats by bull leaders on reports that the bulk of the northwest crop had been marketed and that receipts are to fall off. Prices were strong early and 1@1¼c off commercial to the session advanced, due to liquidation. The close was steady. Local receipts were 84 cars.

Similar receipts of hogs had a stimulating effect on provisions and prices ruled higher. Commission houses were good buyers early and advanced prices, but part of the gain was lost on realizing. The close was strong with May pork 10c higher at $13 02½, May lard 5c higher at $7 05, and May ribs 7½@10c higher at $6 72½@6 75.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 378 cars; oats, 70 cars; hogs, 24,000 head. No session tomorrow.

The leading futures, reported by John D. Armstrong & Co., members of the Chicago Board of Trade, Pennsylvania Bank Building, are as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesterday's Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2.					
Dec. n	82	85¼	81½	82	81½
May	84½	84⅝	84¼	84½	84¼
July	79⅝	79⅝	79	79⅝	78⅝
CORN.					
No. 2.					
Dec.	41⅞	42⅛	41⅝	41⅞	41⅜
May	43⅝	43⅝	43⅛	43⅜	43⅛
July	44¼	45⅛	44⅛	45⅛	44⅜
OATS.					
No. 2.					
Dec.	36¼	36⅜	35⅞	35⅞	36
May	35⅛	35⅝	35	35⅛	35
July	30¼	30⅜	30	30⅛	30
MESS PORK					
Jan.	12 37½	12 42	12 30	12 40	12 45
May	12 50	13 05	12 87½	13 02½	12 82½
LARD.					
Jan.	6 50	6 57½	6 72½	6 82½	6 75
May	7 00	7 07½	6 97½	7 05	6 92½
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan.	6 37½	6 47½	6 37½	6 42½	6 35
May	6 70	6 75	6 65	6 72½	6 65

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour firm; No. 2 spring wheat, 81@85c; No. 3, 72@78c; No. 2 red, 87½@88½c; No. 2 corn, 42½c; No. 2 yellow, 44½@c; No. 2 oats, 36@36½c; No. 2 white, 38@38½c; No. 2 rye, 68c; good feeding barley, 34@37c; fair to choice malting, 45@50c; No. 1 flax seed, 93½c; No. 1 northwestern, $1 02½; prime timothy seed, $2 90; mess pork, per bbl, $12 42½@12 75; lard, per 100 lbs, $6 80@6 82½; short rib sides, loose, $6 37½@6 67½; short clear sides, boxed, $6 87½@6 50; whisky, basis high wines, $1 27; clover, contract grade, $11.

Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels 45,400	49,400
Wheat, bushels 41,800	73,500
Corn, bushels 121,900	91,200
Oats, bushels 181,200	222,800
Rye, bushels 11,500	16,300
Barley, bushels 76,000	9,900

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NEWS FROM THE MINES.

An Old Dominion mining, building or securities company will be incorporated under Maine laws with 250,000 shares to build the plant of the Dominion Mining Company and the United Globe Company.

A report has reached Burns, Utah, of a phenomenal gold strike under a claim that runs in the Chalk creek mining district just east of the continental divide in the western part of Chaffee county, Colorado, a 2,000-foot "mineral belt" intersects a known lead vein, a so-called "blind" vein was cut in the "A. A." claim at a point 120 feet from the point of the tunnel and 100 feet from the surface of the ground. The vein is said to be 24 inches in width and of fine grade, with every ounce of the mineral of extremely high grade. Assays show values as high as $85,000 and selected specimens are 50 per cent lead. Other large discovery has created considerable excitement here, although the effort was made to keep it a secret. The "A. A." claim is owned by a Mr. McKnight and Colonel Lieutenant Governor Smith, both of Salida, and Governor Peabody, both prominent men of Camp Sherrod, which is located in the eastern part of Gunnison county, and about 25 miles west of Buena Vista.

With the installation of 1,000 additional stamps at the Ajax mill, making 240 at this plant, the aggregate number of stamps dropping throughout the Homestake system will be 1,000.

The Golden Reward Company has decided to resume operations at its Deadwood smelter, which shut down last October.

The new reduction works of the Michigan Smelting Company, three miles east of Houghton, are taking shape rapidly and it is hoped to have the furnaces in by July 1st. It is the intent with probable handle the mineral of the Wolverine, Mohawk, Atlantic, Native, Trimountain, Champion, Winona and Meadow Mines, operating a large acreage from the first.

The Cripple Creek Times says: "Reports to which Michigan capital became interested last spring, is to pay its first dividend in January."

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The metals advanced sharply in London, gaining from £1 to £1 12s 6d, with spot closing at £122. The 6d and futures at £123 5s. Locally, the war firm and higher, with spot closing at $28.35@28.50. Copper was unchanged at 12½@12¾c. Lead was firm and 10s higher at the London market. It was also unchanged here at 4.37½@4.42½c. Spelter was unchanged at 5.10@5.12½c. Tin was firm at £22 10s. Locally, it closed at $27.75@28. Pig iron was unchanged here at $14.50@15.50 for No. 1 foundry and at 42c higher at Middlesboro. Locally, the market was steady and unchanged. No. 2 foundry northern is quoted at $15 owing No. 2 foundry northern is at $14 owing No. 2 foundry southern is quoted at $14.50@15 owing No. 2 foundry southern at $13.50@14 owing.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 23@28c; dairies, 22@27c. Eggs firm and unchanged. Cheese steady; full cream, twins, 15½c; New York full cream, fancy, 15½c; good, 15c; New York full cream, choice, 14½c; New York full cream, fair to good, 13½@14c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—Extra creamery, 28c; extra prints, 29c; fancy prints, 28c. Eggs firm and unchanged. Fresh nearby, 36 to 38c; Pennsylvania, 34@36c; Western, 32@34c; refrigerator, 24@25c; storage packed, 23@24c.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Butter—Receipts, 4,471 packages. Firm; extra creamery, 27½c; specials, 28c; extra dairies, 26c; creamery, common to choice, 19@27c; factory, 18@20c; held creamery, 23@27½c; June creamery, 23@24c; renovated, 22@25c; Western imitation creamery, 23@24c; factory, 18@20c; Elgins, 28c; Imitations, 25c; State dairy, 24@26c; June, 23@24c; Western factory, 18@20c; Pacific coast, 24@26c. Eggs—Receipts, 3,417 packages. Firm; State and nearby, fancy selected, 35c; do mixed, 34@35c; do seconds to firsts, 27@33c; Western firsts, 34@35c; do seconds to firsts,

MINISTERS WILL SERVE AS JURORS

Judge J. R. Macfarlane Selects Prominent Names for 1904 Wheel.

EFFORT TO RAISE STANDARD

The court's share of the 4,000 names that go into the jury wheel for the year 1904 has been completed by Judge James F. Macfarlane and Addison G. Gumbert, clerk of common pleas court No. 1. The selection will compel many men prominent in the professional and business life of the community to serve the state during the year. The court selects 1,334 names and great care and consideration was taken in the matter, as it is planned to raise the standard of the jury system.

The smaller towns and townships have not been overlooked, and from each a selection of the most prominent citizens has been made. In the list are ministers, physicians, editors, architects, managers, capitalists, retired gentlemen, manufacturers and tradesmen.

The ministerial calling is well represented and includes the following: The Rev. William L. McEwan, 886 South Negley avenue; the Rev. George W. Chalfant, 121 Meadow street; the Rev. S. Edward Young, 3542 Perrysville avenue, Allegheny; the Rev. B. R. McHatton, 871 Cherokee street; the Rev. W. H. McBride, 720 Atwood street; the Rev. T. H. C. Musser, 269 Thirty-ninth street; the Rev. P. M. Reidenbach, Fortieth and Howley streets; the Rev. Edward H. Ward, 5650 Kentucky avenue; the Rev. John C. High, 1021 Penn avenue; the Rev. Robert Hood, 74 Prospect street; the Rev. J. W. Gazhway, 211 Hemlock street; the Rev. A. Woerner, 818 Third street; the Rev. D. A. McClanahan, McIntyre avenue; the Rev. A. R. Baldoff, Fleming avenue; the Rev. M. Bashell, Riverview avenue, Allegheny; the Rev. A. I. Young, McKeesport; the Rev. W. S. Harper, Ben Avon; the Rev. Ralph Bell, Brackenridge; the Rev. Thomas S. Boyle, Crafton; the Rev. J. W. Miller, Dquesne; the Rev. J. K. Mothorn and the Rev. W. C. Jones, Homestead; the Rev. George L. C. Rickerson, Millvale; the Rev. J. M. McJunkin, Oakdale; the Rev. H. T. Madres, Sharpsburg; the Rev. J. A. Burnett, Wilkinsburg; the Rev. H. S. Gilbert, Baldwin township; the Rev. M. Mercer, Carnot; the Rev. C. G. Hazlett, New Texas; the Rev. W. A. Reed, Wilkinsburg; the Rev. Daniel Dorchester, 5520 Baum street, Pittsburgh.

Among the scores of professional men, etc., are John McLeod, assistant president Carnegie Company; Thomas F. Kirk, Jr., and Harry Davis, managers; Marian G. Bryce of the United States Glass Company; H. C. Fownes, 935 North Highland avenue; Charles G. Zug, manager; William Schoyer, 1611 Fulton; L. A. Salesky, librarian; Isaac E. Hirsch, editor; John G. Holmes, banker; Hay Walker, jr., manufacturer; Richard Nutall, capitalist; F. L. Brown, secretary of the Westinghouse Company; Hugh Ferguson, 5501 Perrysville avenue; A. R. Hamilton, editor; Burgess H. W. Hastings, Aspinwall; W. H. Locke, secretary Pittsburgh baseball club; George S. Garrett, manufacturer; W. S. Arbuthnot, merchant; Frank R. Liggett, real estate dealer; James S. Stoubird, manufacturer; William Darsie, soap manufacturer; William Kingsglass manufacturer; Walter McClintock, retired; W. J. Young, capitalist, and others of the same class.

Braddock furnishes John C. Longhead, editor; James Scott, retired; James R. Mills, manufacturer, and James A. Russell, banker, among the number from that town.

In the Sewickley list are Franklin Osborne, retired, and W. G. Muzzy, retired manufacturer.

MANY NEW LAWYERS.

The Bar Examining Committee Hands Down List of Successful Applicants.

The retiring board of law examiners of the Allegheny county bar handed down the list of students who passed on the final examinations passed and will be admitted as lawyers tomorrow morning in the various courts. Several on the preliminary examination failed. This class was the largest examined in years and the committee was compelled to take a much longer time to pass upon the papers. Upon motion of the secretary, E. H. Jackson, the members of the committee, Samuel H. Graham, Marcus W. Acheson, J. M. Shields, W. H. S. Thomson, J. L. Ritchey, J. C. Boyer and R. H. Kennedy, and the honorary member of the committee, Henry G. Hill, dined at Newell's, where the final consideration of the papers were had. Mr. Jackson sent out an interesting invitation, each containing a German phrase, which the individuals had to translate "in a minute," meaning no long space of time. It was signed, and it will be the last time every member will be together on a committee of that character. Some of the present members will be continued by the courts, but two or three will probably retire, as their time limit is fast expiring.

Final examination—Harry Easton, J. K. Guiler, W. H. Gostelger, Ward Bonsall, Joseph H. Bialas, S. G. Cramp, Abraham Weiler, Albert Albert, Maurice L. Arner, William B. Secrist, Philip B. Reiley, Halloed C. Sherrard, John E. Laughlin, George J. Campbell, Harrold M. Irons, Park J. Alexander, Thomas B. Newmeyer, J. Gilmore Fleteher, H. Fred Meloy, Herman F. Rupp, Christy Payne, George W. Climer, Homer N. Young, Edward T. Noble, Alfred A. Miller, Ken W. Andrews, Paul S. Ache, William N. Shaffer, Harry C. Baker, Harold Allen, Norman H. Hinselton, Roger Knox, J. E. McClelland, Charles L. Livingstone, John W. Brown, D. S. Chambers, Thomas H. Hasson and F. C. Gourley.

Preliminary examination—J. S. Potter, J. C. Dyer, Samuel J. Horvitz, Bernard A. Rosenblatt, Martin J. Cohan, C. W. Szylinewski and Joseph J. Goldsmith.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

A libel in divorce was filed by Violet F. Grimes against Charles J. Grimes, alleging cruel and barbarous treatment.

Daniel Hoffeman for himself and minor son, Michael, has sued Conrad Glaub for $5,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been received by the boy by being struck with a stick thrown by the defendant.

The testimony in the divorce suit of Mary E. Maurice against Thomas Maurice has been filed. They were married in September, 1895, and she says he left him on December 27, 1902, on account of cruel treatment.

The following executions were issued yesterday: R. E. V. Walsh, use, vs. Charles S. Erwin, $244 97. William H. Schuette Company vs. H. A. Stahl, $450 74. John M. Roberts vs. James McCune, jr., $124 86. Joseph Horne Company vs. Clara A. Hall, $223.

Lemuel H. Slagle and his wife, Ella M. Slagle, have sued the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for $20,000 damages. The statement sets forth that on March 9, 1903, while passengers from Ivest Brady on an Allegheny Valley train, a collision occurred in the yards near the Union depot, in which they received injuries.

Judge Kennedy refused a new trial in the suit of Rebecca Bennett and others against John Chambers and others, involving title to 422 acres on Peters creek. The plaintiffs claim title as heirs of Mary Robb, who died in 1855. It was held proceedings under which land was sold in 1858 were irregular. The court did not sustain this contention.

Gustave S. Herforth has entered suit against Edward M. Pearl, John J. Merrigan and ——— Callen, for $5,000 damages. The statement sets forth he was arrested on November 27, last, and detained until November 30, under the charge of being a stranger person, who he was discharged without a hearing. It is said at the time Herforth was arrested he was suspected of a number of East End robberies.

Reduced Rates Account New Year Holidays.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets on December 31st and January 1st to all points on their Monongahela division, between Pittsburgh and Brownsville, good to return until January 4th, 1904.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

ATTORNEYS TRY JOHN C. HAYMAKER

Handsome Silver Set Given Retiring Official as a Sentence.

A. J. M'QUILTY REMEMBERED

District Attorney John C. Haymaker, who finished his work at the close of court last night, and who will take up the practice of his profession in January, was found guilty of stealing honors from the office he has successfully filled for nine years; but the verdict of the mock trial, presided over by John S. Robb, W. A. Blakeley and William J. Brennen, was set aside by the presiding judge, and the defendant was presented with a handsome silver set contained in 17 boxes, which, it was alleged during the prosecution, was taken from the office when the incumbent left.

The presentation was made by John S. Robb on behalf of the members of the bar in recognition of Mr. Haymaker's great work in the office and the universal respect they had for him. Mr. Haymaker replied, thanking the members of the bar for their touching tribute and the manner in which they had conducted their business with him. He said that in all his career he never had a quarrel with opposing counsel, except James Francis Burke, which they settled at another bar. He spoke of the honor and dignity of the attorneys, and paid them a high tribute in return when he said not a single man had asked him to do anything outside the line of his duty.

Robb as Judge; Marshall as Jury.

The trial was filled with funny incidents and bright repartee on the part of the opposing counsel, aided and abetted by the distinguished Judge Robb, who refused everything that was good and insisted on advising the jury, which consisted of Roby H. Marshall. He was selected as 12 men, his name being read off in 12 different ways.

Mr. Haymaker was led into the court by Sheriff-elect Dickson and placed in the criminal dock. He was represented by John Marron, Clarence Burleigh and Walter Lyon, while James Francis Burke, J. Scott Ferguson, W. D. Rodgers and Frank McGirr looked after the prosecution and made the allegations.

Almost every attorney at the bar was present and Judges Kennedy and McClung were placed on the stand as witnesses. When Mr. Burke opened his address and was asked by the court whom he represented, he replied:

"I am paid by both sides, your honor, and I am here to see that both sides get justice."

During the mix-up following Burke's opening Mr. Haymaker asked permission to speak, and he repudiated his counsel, but was compelled to submit on the grounds of insanity. Mr. Haymaker was then made the butt of every joke politically and otherwise, sprung on him during his public life. "Onward Christian Soldiers" played a prominent part in the proceedings, the legal quartet singing the song.

Burke Addressed the Jury.

The case was opened by Attorney Burke, who addressed the jury, saying he was glad such a one had been selected, as the jury represented all walks of life. He said the prisoner was guilty because he had convicted men of trivial offenses, such as shooting policemen. He also said the prisoner had been caught trying to break into the city hall and had been found in the East End singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." In finishing his address he asked the jury to "stick together" and render a verdict not according to the law.

Attorney Burleigh was put on the stand and the Polish interpreter was called for. Judge Robb said the case would be tried in English if the witness could speak it. The witness was asked if he left anything when he left the office of district attorney and he said he had not. "Is it customary to remove anything when you leave the office?" he was asked, and he said he had removed all he could carry.

Judge John M. Kennedy was put on the stand and was asked if he knew anything about Mr. Haymaker. He refused to answer the question and the jury stood up and said he didn't need to answer if he didn't want to, as his testimony wouldn't be considered anyhow.

The defense was opened and Judge Samuel A. McClung was called. He was asked if he knew anything about John C. Haymaker and replied that he was sorry to say he did. The witness was withdrawn.

"Hurry up, the jury wants to go out and get a drink," said Marshall.

W. B. Rodgers was put on the stand and testified to hearing the song, "Onward Christian Soldiers" at a Sunday school about five years ago. "The witness is impeached," said the court.

Testified Against Haymaker.

Attorney J. Scott Ferguson, County Detective Robert Robinson, Clerk Thomas Johnston, Tipstaff Thomas Pender, John F. Edmondson and Jerry Lutz, county detectives, were called and each gave testimony to the prisoner.

Mr. Haymaker was placed on the stand and he asked that he be excused from testifying, as the commonwealth had accused him of being insane. He was nevertheless made to testify and said he had drawn salary as district attorney for nine years.

"You drew the salary, but who did the work?" he was asked.

He refused to answer and was asked how he happened to acquire such counsel as he had. This was objected to and the objection was sustained, Judge Robb saying almost anyone would have selected different counsel. This ended the witness' testimony and when he left the box he shook hands with the jury, who immediately rendered a verdict of not guilty.

Judge McClung's tribute at the close was that of anything else Mr. Haymaker's integrity and the admiration the members of his own profession love him. Members of the bar surrounded him when the trial ended and wished him as great a success in his private practice as he had in his official capacity.

Retiring Prothonotary Andrew J. McQuilty was given an elegant gold watch, chain and diamond-studded charm by the clerks who have served under him during his terms of office. The tender of the magnificent gift was unexpected by the official, as it was not made on the eve of his departure from office after a continuous service of 29 years. During that time he acted as clerk, chief clerk and served three terms as prothonotary.

ADMIRAL O'NEILL DENIES ANARCHIST PLOT EXISTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31. — Admiral O'Neill, chief of the bureau of ordnance, has had his attention called to a dispatch from Philadelphia giving the details of an alleged plot of anarchists to blow up the battleships of every type of the American navy by tampering with projectiles turned out by the Midvale Steel Works, at Nicetown. The story is denied by Admiral O'Neill in the most emphatic manner.

New Pennsylvania Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The following fourth-class postmasters were appointed today: Pennsylvania—Bowers, Harrison R. Hullihen; Elrama, Roy Stodghill; Keystone Junction, Richard H. Whiteford; Lull, Oscar J. Coleman; Stockdale, Joseph Underwood; Surgeon's Hall, Clarence E. Linnart.

Change of Time—The California Limited.

Effective Sunday, January 3, 1904, the California Limited on the Santa Fe will leave Chicago at 7:30 p. m., instead of 8:00 p. m., as at present. The train will be held, however, until 8:00 p. m. in order connecting trains with passengers for it are late.

Now in its eighth season of daily service, the California Limited has established itself as the peer of Pacific coast trains. Solid Pullman throughout, it runs from Chicago to Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco via "Santa Fe all the way." Most picturesque and comfortable route—tracks oil-sprinkled (practically dustless). The Grand Canyon line.

For daily illustrated booklet, describing the California Limited, call or address P. E. Shellaberger, Pass. Agent, A. T. & S. F. Ry., 902 Park building, Pittsburgh.

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THE PENNSY WILL INVESTIGATE METHODS OF FOREIGN LINES

Methods of English, French and German railways are to be investigated by a special committee representing the Pennsylvania railroad system. The committee will be composed of R. E. McCarty, superintendent of the Pittsburgh division of the Panhandle, with headquarters at Pittsburgh; C. M. Scheaffer, superintendent of passenger transportation of the Pennsylvania railroad, with headquarters at Philadelphia, and Andrew Keiser, superintendent of telegraph of the Pennsylvania railroad, with headquarters at the same place.

The selection of these officials is entirely honorary and was made by General Manager W. W. Atterbury of the Pennsylvania and G. L. Peck, general manager of the Pennsylvania lines, upon the advice of the vice presidents. The fact that the Pennsylvania will send three of its most able men to scrutinize the management of the railways of three great nations in no way signifies that European methods are considered superior to those employed by the Pennsylvania, which recognizes no peer. During the past year a number of parties of English railway officials, from vice presidents down, have been the guests of the Pennsylvania, and this exchange of courtesies is partly responsible for the projected visit of the three "envoys." There is little doubt, however, that the special representatives will be given the opportunity of handling much that will in afterime be of value to the Pennsylvania. In this connection the officials who will visit the continent will, upon their return home, render a report to their superiors which will embrace every feature of their inspection.

The selection of R. E. McCarty is a signal honor. Out of the entire roster of Pennsylvania lines west officials he has been named to represent the western territory of the system. He will, of course, accept. The other officials will likewise accept.

Mr. Scheaffer is not as well known here as Mr. McCarty and Mr. Keiser. He lived until several months ago was passenger trainmaster of the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania at Pittsburgh, when he succeeded Mr. Scheaffer as superintendent of telegraph.

The party will sail from New York January 16 on the steamer New York and will be gone from six to eight weeks. An official secretary for the visitors will be selected in England.

Panhandle Changes.

W. H. Holbrook, assistant road foreman of engines of the Pittsburgh division of the Panhandle, has been appointed road foreman of engines of the Cincinnati division of the southwest system of the Pennsylvania lines, vice S. I. Mider, promoted. The change is made as a result of the promotion of A. E. Waters, trainmaster of the Cincinnati division, who has been assigned to duties at Logan. Mr. Mider becomes trainmaster of that division. Mr. Holbrook is well known in Pittsburgh and along the Pittsburgh division of the Panhandle.

Eastbound Rates to Advance.

The east bound as well as the west bound rates to and from the Pacific coast are to be advanced January 1. As told in The Gazette yesterday, there is to be a sharp advance in the freight tariff from eastern points to California and Northern Pacific coast points, effective January 1. The Southern Pacific and Santa Fe will also advance east bound rates January 1. Fruit is the principal commodity affected.

Railroad Notes.

It is said that the salary of L. F. Loree as president of the Rock Island will be $75,000 per year.

L. E. Rossiter has left here to take charge of the office of division engineer of the Baltimore & Ohio at Shenandoah.

C. F. Perkins, freight coal agent of the Pennsylvania lines, has been made general coal and coke agent over the system.

On account of the falling off in express holiday shipments, the Pennsylvania railroad and lines west have annulled several express trains. These trains were put on exclusively for express business during the rush season.

Niagara Falls is now a mecca for tourists on account of its winter attractions. The Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh, Allegheny Valley and Pittsburgh & Lake Erie are carrying a small army of people from here to see the frozen river and falls.

Shipments of coal and coke originating on the Pennsylvania railroad east of Pittsburgh and Erie for the week ending December 26, amounted to 945,855 tons. Of that amount 71,267 tons were anthracite, 494,404 tons bituminous and 80,182 coke. The shipments for the year to date amounted to 40,537,183 tons, an increase over the corresponding 51 weeks of 1902 of 2,714,461 tons. Coke shipments for the same period showed a decrease of 672,640 tons, and soft coal an increase of 3,492,662.

ATHLETIC BRIDEGROOM CAPTURES BURGLAR

Thief Was Making Off With Valuable Wedding Jewels When Surprised.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—After a desperate struggle, Algernon Boyson, of East Thirty-second street, captured George Williams, a negro, who had entered the apartments of Mr. Boyson and it is alleged, was about to make off with jewels valued at thousands of dollars. The capture was effected in the presence of the young bride of Mr. Boyson, who is the son of Hjalmar Hjarth Boyson, the famous Norwegian poet, and is himself a frequent contributor to magazines.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyson have just returned from an extended honeymoon in Europe and were arranging the valuable presents out of storage when the elevator boy rushed into their apartments and said a man had been seen to enter their apartments by the elevator. Despite the protests of his wife, who threw her arms about him and prayed to him to wait for the police, Mr. Boyson rushed for the rear of the apartment.

He is tall and muscular and played left end on the Columbia football team of 1901 and 1902. His training stood him in good stead. In a bedroom, he came upon a negro rifling a trunk. The burglar did not hear Mr. Boysons approach, so engrossed was he in securing booty, and the young athlete's attack was sudden and fierce. The man fought fiercely but was finally overpowered.

The prisoner gave his age as 29 years and said he came here from Chattanooga three weeks ago. He was unable to obtain work and said he stole because he was hungry.

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January Clearing Sales

An Absolute Clearance of all Surplus Stocks, Odds and Ends, Slow Sellers, etc., accumulated during the past six months, at prices that *will* clear

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THE PEOPLE'S STORE

The Women's Clothing Section Leads Off With An Event of Unparalleled Magnitude and Importance.

These Clearing Sales mark the opening of a strenuous, decisive campaign against goods and prices — Stocks were never so large — consequently never so truly slaughtered.

More News Next Week

Mammoth Cloak Purchase

Over 1,000 Cloaks

Go to make this event—not of the specially made "sale" nature but all of them specially ordered and each one carefully examined before brought into this store.

REDUCTIONS RANGE FROM
1/4 Off the most staple styles
1/3 Off the medium grades
1/2 Off the finest grades
Straight Cuts from Our Regular Prices.

—FROM—
Bauman & Sperling, 12, 14, 16 14th St., New York

The well-known Cloak Manufacturers—their most desirable and salable styles only—high-grade garments—just recently tailored—in the most approved fashion.

Never such a Sale in our 33 years of business—of equal interest are the reductions on every Suit, Skirt, Coat, Silk Waist, Wrapper, etc.—in our regular stock.

Fashions and Fabrics

Of the most popular character—an almost endless variety in different styles of Military Coats, Norfolks, English Walking Coats, 3/4 Fitted Coats, Corset Coats, Full Length Rain Coats and the ever popular Short Jacket Coats—in Zibellines, Kerseys and all the staple fabrics—in plain or fancy mixtures—no person can possibly be disappointed.

Just Half Price for this Lot.

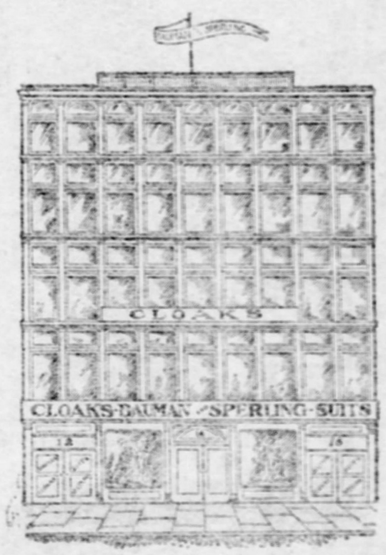
The finest garments in the sale—made of finest imported zibelines and kerseys—plain colors and mixtures—pleats down back and front, others plain—mostly the very fashionable military and Norfolk styles—a great diversity of effects in trimmings, various styles of capes, belted effects, fancy and plain buttons, etc.—all with finest satin silk lining—any detailed descriptions could not but be inadequate. The enormity of the price reduction is what we would magnify here—the goods are here to speak for themselves—

Reduced from
$45.00 to ..... $22.50 — $35.00 to $17.50
$40.00 to ..... $20.00 — $30.00 to $15.00
$37.50 to ..... $18.75 — $28.00 to $17.50

Misses' Coats Heavily Reduced

Full length, box back and front, military styles—not necessary to say how popular these have become with the young ladies—plain colors or some very striking mixed fabrics—with or without capes or belt—stitched velvet collar and a great diversity in trimmings, velvet bands, braids and buttons—sizes 6 to 14 years—

Reduced from
$15.00 to ..... $10.00 — $10.00 to $7.50
$7.50 to $3.98



Ultra Fashionable Coats Within Everybody's Purse Limit

Such high-grade garments as these at the price of a common coat maker this event of an irresistible nature to those requiring a coat to last out the remaining three months—just think of the 100 days of cheapness in this year alone that these coats will afford when considering your needs—this lot comprises English Bedfords, Norfolk and Military styles—any and every effect of trimming and fabric conceivable—by their regular price you can have but small conception of the richness and beauty of this assortment—

Reduced from
$25.00 to ..... $15.00 — $25.00 to $12.50
$16.50 to $10.00

Mere Mention of Such Prices Enough

English Box Coats—with or without storm collar—fancy metal buttons—of fine quality kersey. Also Raincoats and Military Coats in this lot—sold such a at prices—

Reduced from
$15.00 to ..... $7.50 — $12.50 to ..... $7.
$10.00 to ..... $6.50 — $8.50 to $5

FURS REDUCED—Our entire stock—not the highest priced kind that nobody wants so late in the season, but our entire stock of medium price furs—a liberal reductions from our already lowest prices—an occasion of almost equal importance with this cloak sale.

News to Make the Pulse Beat Quicker

Lot of Torchon Laces and Insertions—odd pieces—various patterns worth 5c yd—Clearing Price 2c

45c Swiss Flouncings—also embroideries—trimmed with lace and insertions—reduced from $2 and $3 yd. to $1.00

Ladies' Neckwear—odd and ends—50c Lace Stocks—50c and 75c lace and embroidered stocks—50c Jap and Liberty silk twice around ties—large assortment—Clearing Price 25c

Lot of Venise and Arabian large lace collars—medallion, floral and Teneriffe patterns, reduced from $1.00 and $1.50 to..... 50c

Ladies' Finest Silk Stocks—choice of our entire line of hand-made and embroidered creations—reduced from $1.75, $2 and $2.25 to $1.00

Silk Braid Drop Ornaments—black and white—large assortment of styles—reduced from 12½ and 15c, to 5c

Embroidered Persian Silk Bands—exquisite patterns for trimming waists—entire stock reduced from $1.00 and $1.25 yd to 50c

Irish Point and Blind Embroidery Scarfs—odds and ends—slightly soiled all white—size 18x54 in.—reduced from 50c and 75c to 25c

Scrap Baskets—in various shapes and colorings—were $1.25—Clearing Sale Price 75c

Taffeta Ribbons—all pure silk—also soft lustrous finish satin Taffetas—5¾ in. wide—in black and colors—cut from 19c yd. to 12½c

Boys' heavy ribbed Cotton Hose—specially recommended for school wear—all sizes—reduced from 15c pr. to 9c

Mothers—Your Attention!

Boys' School Clothing Half Price and Less

To match the simple truth about exceptional cheapness against fanciful and imaginative statements is a hard proposition—but these facts must be given publicity—the clearing movement in this department will be pushed with irresistible force and extraordinary price cuts to the finish—examination of goods and prices herewith submitted will produce more results to us both than a whole page of newspaper talk.

Boys' 3-Piece Suits—in cheviots, serges and cassimeres—blues and other plain colors, fancy stripes and over-plaids, mostly dark patterns—all-wool, sizes 3 to 6 years only—a large lot — regular prices $3.50 and $3.75—Clearing Price $2.00

Boys' Russian Blouse Suits—Also Vestees in this lot—in all plain colors and fancy mixtures—all wool cheviots, serges and cassimeres — a few velvets and corduroys — heavy winter suits — reduced from $5.00 to just half $2.50

Boys' Cape Overcoats—in tan, oxford, gray and fancy stripes—also a lot of sturdy Reefers in green, brown, dark blue and red—all-wool Astrakhans — large pearl buttons and braid trimmed—reduced from $5.00 to just half $2.50

Youths' Overcoats—in box coat effect—all wool cheviots and kerseys—in brown, blue, gray and black—sizes 15, 16 and 17 years only—sleeves and yoke satin lined and serge plaid lining — reduced from $12.50 to $5.00

Men's Overcoats—in strictly all wool oxford grays—52 inches long—sizes 34 to 38 only—extra heavy weight—serviceable lining of serge—velvet collar—regular price $12.50—and never sold for less—Clearing Price will be $7.50

Men's Suits—in gray checks, gray worsted stripes, fancy worsted stripes and green cheviots—all finest grade wool fabrics—all sizes from 34 to 40—regular price was $15.00—marked for this Clearing Sale to $10.95

MR. MAN—HERE'S NEWS BRIEF AND TO THE POINT

Fine Wool Ribbed Underwear—elegantly finished with silk and pearl buttons—in slate and salmon colors—regular price $1.00 a garment—Clearing Sale Price—..... 69c

Fine Wool Black Underwear—An extra fine quality and a big bargain for the man who wears black—always sold for $1.50—Clearing Sale Price $1.19

Egyptian Ribbed Underwear—with a sanitary fleece lining — neatly finished with silk and pearl buttons — regular price was $1.00—Clearing Sale Price 65c

Colored Negligee Shirts—with separate cuffs — sizes mostly large — neat patterns and sold well at 50c and 75c—Clearing Sale Price 35c

STAUNCH WINTER SHOES SOUND PRICE SAVINGS

Ladies' $3.00 Shoes—in patent colt, box calf and kid skin, with patent and kid tips—all have Goodyear welt, medium extension soles—military and Cuban heels — some few $3.00 ones in this lot—full line of sizes—Clearing Sale Price $2.48

Misses' $2.00 Shoes—Patent tip—lace and button—sizes 11½ to 2—some were $1.75—Clearing Sale Price $1.35

Boys' $2.50 Shoes—in patent leather, vici kid and box calf — just the kind for school and out-door sports — sizes 10 to 5—some few were $2.00. This is January, so we make the price $1.48

Children's $1.25 Shoes—of dongola—heavy soles—lace style — comfortable shoe for growing feet—sizes 5 to 8—Clearing Price is 98c

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Note the Garments—spotless inviting—fresh from the manufacturers — no old remnants — haphazard sewing—all made the cleanest and healthiest workrooms—every new and desirable style imaginable.

Everything Best—Drawers Corset Covers, Night Gow Chemises and Petticoats in gr est possible assortment—the showcases and tables in the end of the first floor radiant this white exposition.

The press of spot cotton last October was a godsend to day it is almost as serviceable that next spring's goods will be actually less pr were quoted last year.

We cannot go into d —see Monday's ad for more complete list.

Corset Covers from 7c up to $3.50
Drawers from 19c up to $4.50
Night Gowns from 39c up to $2.75
Chemises from 35c up to $4.50
Petticoats from 29c up to $7.50

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